

McNamara. SYMPATHY PLAY BEFORE JURORS.

Dynamite Conspiracy Trial Is Nearing Close.

Attorneys Ring in Families of Accused Men.

Declare Twilight Committee to Be Mere Joke.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—Four-year-old George Bernhardt, who was playing in the lobby of the Federal building with a toy engine, was made a subject of comment in the argument of the defense before the jury at the dynamite conspiracy trial today.

The boy is the son of William C. Bernhardt, Cincinnati, one of the forty defendants accused of aiding the McNamara brothers to blow up non-union jobs. The wives of thirty-three defendants with almost as many children have been sitting through the trial for almost three months, and while his parents were listening to the denial of the charges of dynamiting the boy was romping through the lobby with an early supply of Christmas presents.

"If after this long trial you must convict somebody," said Attorney William H. Harding, "don't convict William Bernhardt, for he is an industrious ironworker and has a wife to support. He has worked hard all his life and has raised a family. Blowing up non-union jobs at night or resorting to violence in a strike is not characteristic of a man who raises a family, but I say, if you must convict somebody by the name of Bernhardt, convict his little boy. Send the little boy to the penitentiary. He might stand it, but Bernhardt with a wife could not."

Speaking for all the defendants, Mr. Harding referred to letters taken from the ironworkers' international headquarters in Indianapolis upon which the government charges a dynamite conspiracy was directed through the mails. Mr. Harding said the letters remained in the headquarters for six months after J. J. McNamara, the secretary, had been locked up in Los Angeles, and none of the writers of the letters ever went to Indianapolis to recover their letters.

"Why, after McNamara was arrested charged with dynamiting didn't these men rush to Indianapolis to recover their letters?" asked Attorney William H. Harding. "The natural move of a guilty man would be to destroy evidence of his guilt. But these men did not attempt to recover the letters which remained in McNamara's office unopened until the government took possession of them."

Mr. Harding also said the government had for three months had a telephone instrument under President Frank M. Ryan's desk and had not produced in evidence any information obtained thereby.

DEFENDS ORGANIZED LABOR.

"Organized labor never did and never will approve of such a nationwide reign of violence and terrorism as has been charged here," asserted Clifford S. Langdale in arguing to the jury at the dynamite conspiracy trial today.

Attorney Langdale spoke particularly in behalf of W. Bert Brown and William J. McCain of Kansas City, Mo., both charged with having guilty knowledge of an explosion on a bridge as a course of construction across the Missouri River. Orville E. McManis said he blew up the work in August, 1910, after James H. McNamara had visited Kansas City.

"It has been shown by the government," said Mr. Langdale, "that James H. McNamara visited the city, blowing up a hotel there, at the time it was charged he was in Kansas City, talking to Brown and McCain. He was too busy causing explosions elsewhere to have been in Kansas City."

The attorney attacked the testimony of a Kansas City barber who said McNamara and Brown had invited him to become a dynamiter, offering him good pay if he would go to Los Angeles to blow up the whole town.

"Mr. Langdale said it had been shown that the barber did not live at the place in Kansas City where he said he lived."

Attorney Daniel V. Howell read to the jury a letter from John J. McNamara to McCain referring to the ironworkers' union "twilight committee."

"It has been said that McNamara meant dynamiting committee when he said 'twilight committee,'" said Mr. Howell, "and that therefore McCain, as an official of the union in Kansas City, understood what was meant. To show that McCain was and is innocent of any dynamiting I have only to point out that at the ironworkers' Milwaukee convention in September, 1911, five months after the arrest of McNamara for blowing up the Los Angeles Times building, McCain got up and called for the report of the twilight committee. Would he have done that if it meant the dynamiting committee? The twilight committee simply was a joke."

It was pointed out that Brown, the other Kansas City defendant, resigned as business agent two days before the bridge explosion.

Attorney Howell said Brown would not have resigned had he expected to profit by the explosion.

Speaking in behalf of Peter J. Smith and George Anderson of Cleveland, Attorney A. S. Fiebach said he wanted to deny an assertion by the District Attorney that a "reign of terror" existed in Cleveland for ten years.

"Cleveland is one of the best-governed cities in the country and the District Attorney's assertion is false," said Mr. Fiebach. "We have a large foreign population and it is true we have had our share of violence, but such a reign of terror as has been charged developed in labor circles never existed."

Senator Kern said he would speak tomorrow in defense of Herbert E. McCain and Eugene Clancy and Olin Trelvoss of San Francisco. When Senator Kern concludes, the government is to begin an argument to continue for two and a half days.

Magnates Indicted.

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all its interest in the Central Vermont and its subsidiaries, which would include all of the proposed extensions in New England.

The economic overt act alleged embraces a charge that Chamberlain wrote to Vice-President J. E. Dailymple and Benjamin Campbell, of the New Haven should monopolize in Mellen's office and discuss new developments of New England business. The third act alleged that the defendants held further meetings in New York City on September 30 of this year; the fourth that they held another meeting in New York on October 1; the fifth that at this mentioned meeting Mellen gave to the defendants a memorandum of the economic problem among other things, that the Grand Trunk is "to retain the Central Vermont and the existing controlled lines and continue its existing business as at present."

PROTECTING EACH OTHER.

This memorandum arranged for interchange of traffic at certain points, joint use of certain lines, and set forth that the New Haven "protects" the Grand Trunk in every way in its power, in its present differential rates from New England points and such new territory which it is proposed to open up to it hereby.

The sixth act charged that "Mellen caused to be withdrawn a petition filed by his direction to the public service commission of New Hampshire, asking authority to extend one of the New Haven lines paralleling and competing with a portion of the Central Vermont."

The seventh was the alleged abandonment by the defendant Chamberlain of the work of constructing the Southern New England line from Providence to Portland.

The Grand Trunk, through its subsidiary, the Central Vermont, proposed, the indictment reads, to operate a railroad line in Rhode Island and in Massachusetts, and a line of steamships from Providence to New York.

Work was begun on the railroad on May 22, 1912, and continued until November 9, 1912. During that time, it is set forth, there was expended on the line and in the line of steamships the sum of \$2,000,000 and there had been incurred further obligations amounting to \$2,000,000.

TWO STATES COMPLAINED.

The railroad situation in New England was brought to the attention of the Federal Department of Justice first by the attorney of Massachusetts and Rhode Island who declared that the abandonment of certain extension projects then indicated was due to a secret treaty between the two roads. On November 19, representatives of the two states called on President Taft and Attorney General Clegg.

The state officials asserted that the alleged agreement between the New Haven and Grand Trunk roads meant the abandonment of projects for the extension of the Grand Trunk line through territory now monopolized by the New Haven.

In its investigation during the past month, the grand jury examined diaries and also experts representing New England States and cities most interested.

CIVIL SUIT MAY FOLLOW.

TO BREAK ALLEGED COMBINE.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Attorney General Wickham will follow up the indictments of officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford and the Grand Trunk railroads for immediate consideration of the question whether the two roads are in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

This question hangs in the balance and the Attorney-General today indicated that he would give it careful study.

The books of the companies, thrown open to the government for examination, did not give evidence of the violation of the Sherman law, the Attorney-General contended, and was with some doubt of the result that the grand jury inquiry was undertaken. The indictments were due largely to the oral testimony of numerous witnesses.

REA ELECTED A DIRECTOR.

ON BOARD OF NEW HAVEN.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
NEW HAVEN (Ct.) Dec. 23.—The election of President Samuel Rea of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the directorate of the New York, New Haven & Hartford road, was announced today. He succeeds President James McCrea of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who retired January 1.

"TOWN MEETING" IN CHICAGO.

Ministers and Churchmen to Make United Protest to Mayor Against New Year's Revelries.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Widespread protest against the revelries typical of New Year's eve and the declaration by Chief of Police McWeeny that cafes and saloons would be allowed to serve liquor until 2 a. m., took new impetus here tonight with the announcement that a "town meeting" had been called for next Monday noon to protest against any suspension of the 1 o'clock closing ordinance.

The gathering will be addressed by leading churchmen and attorneys. At its close 500 ministers will form in line and march in a body to the office of the Chief of Police, where the spokesman will read to him the law defining his duties and also the laws restricting the sale of liquor.

Then further to the mayor, according to the plans, he will be told that the demand of the citizens is that the Navy Department for New Year's eve and use the entire police force to do it. The whole body will then march to Mayor Harrison's office, where he will be requested personally to oversee the work.

FROM BAD TO WORSE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The revolutionists appear to be growing bolder in the country and the States of Morelos, Puebla and Mexico, while the situation in Zacatecas and Durango is rapidly going from bad to worse. Great damage has been done to the Northwestern Railway out of Ciudad Juarez.

UNITED STATES AS MEDIATOR.

Uncle Sam First Choice if Powers Disagree.

Pope May Also Have Chance to Restore Peace.

Greeks Continue Fighting on Land and Sea.

(BY CABLE AND A. P. TO THE TIMES.)

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Because of reciprocal apprehension, an understanding may be reached soon by the peace delegates. The hardest point is Adriatic, on which an agreement between the delegates perhaps would be difficult if its solution were attempted directly by them. It may be brought about, however, through the mediation of one power or several powers, or now that the differences between Austria and Serbia have been settled, by the whole of Europe, whose intervention would save the face of both Turkey and Serbia because of the concessions they would be obliged to make.

If European mediation is impossible or unsuccessful, other powers may be appealed to, first of all the United States. It is rumored that there is a possibility of asking mediation by the Pope. It is recalled that Pope Leo XIII was entrusted by Disraeli with settling a dispute between Germany and Spain over the Caroline Islands. In case His Holiness were the mediator, his action would be entirely independent, as none of the belligerents is a Catholic power.

It is considered that the best person to approach the Vatican for mediation would be M. Myrskovitch, one of the Montenegrin delegates to the peace conference, who was Montenegrin envoy to the Holy See in the negotiations for an agreement concerning the Catholic hierarchy in Montenegro and the appointment of an Archbishop at Antivari.

The conference of Ambassadors will meet again January 2. Meanwhile, the German Ambassador has gone to Berlin and M. Cambon, the French Ambassador, to Paris.

Count Mensdorff, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador, and Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary, are in the country for Christmas.

TWO TURKISH PASHAS KILLED.

GREEKS CAPTURE ARTILLERY.
(BY CABLE AND A. P. TO THE TIMES.)
LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Morning Post today publishes an authoritative Greek account of the recent fighting in Epirus, according to which Ali Riza Pasha, the Turkish commander at Janina, and his chief of staff, David Pasha, both were killed and the entire Turkish artillery in the Sanjoni Pass fighting were captured by the Greeks.

The dispatch says that the expedition against the Montenegrins, which was led by the Greek Crown Prince, experienced tremendous difficulties because of the bad roads and the mountainous country, and that it was extremely hard to obtain supplies.

A special dispatch from Athens says the Greek army advancing on Janina has broken a check and that reinforcements have been sent out.

SERBS VIOLATE ARMISTICE.

FIGHT TURKS AT SCUTARI.
(BY CABLE AND A. P. TO THE TIMES.)
VIENNA, Dec. 23.—The Reichspost says it learns from Cattaro, on the Adriatic Sea, that the Serbian forces are assisting the Montenegrins in their fight against the Turkish forces.

The newspaper says that during the recent sortie of the Turkish garrison at Scutari, the Serbians sustained considerable loss. It says that 150 of their wounded were taken to Durazzo while about 350 of their men fell into the hands of the Turkish forces. Serbian supply columns on the way from Durazzo to Alessio have been captured by Miridites and Albanians. The Serbian escort was killed or dispersed.

GREEK TORPEDOS REPELLED.

AT LEAST SO SAY THE TURKS.
(BY CABLE AND A. P. TO THE TIMES.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23.—The commander of the fleet reports that his squadron during a reconnaissance Sunday encountered six Greek torpedo-boat destroyers between Imbros and Lemnos Islands in the Aegean Sea, and repulsed them. The Turks then bombarded the Greek position at Tenedos. However, in view of the lateness of the hour, the Turkish fleet returned to its rendezvous. It suffered no damage.

GREEKS BOMBARD PORT.

TURKS PROVE STUBBORN.
(BY CABLE AND A. P. TO THE TIMES.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23.—It is reported from the island of Chios, off the Turkish Asiatic coast, that the Greeks have bombarded the village of Pitos, where the Ottoman would have been in the hands of the Greeks. The Ottoman garrison advising its surrender and notifying it of the defeat of the Turkish fleet by the Greeks. The commander of the garrison in reply said he would resist surrender to the utmost.

SUPRAGANT HIKERS HAPPY.

"Gen." Rosalie Jones and Her Band Reach Rhinebeck and Will Continue on March to Albany.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
UPPER RED HOOK (N. Y.) Dec. 23.—"Gen." Rosalie Jones and her little band of suffragettes, hiked into this village at 6 o'clock tonight after the six miles' walk from Rhinebeck. Every member of the "army" professes to be in good marching condition and ready to continue the trip to Albany tomorrow.

The schedule calls for a fourteen-mile walk to Hudson tomorrow, but tonight it was thought the suffragettes would walk but six miles to Livingston, continuing to Hudson on Christmas.

All along the country roads today the pedestrians were cordially greeted by the farmers. The laborers fled before the great mass of water which spurted up into the tunnel at the rate of 150 cubic feet a second, flooding it and the neighboring villages. The damage done is heavy, but there were no casualties.

RUN TRAINS BY "WIX."

Union Pacific Applies for
License of Federal Commission.

(By Wireless Line to The Times.)
OMAHA (Neb.) Dec. 23.—

The Union Pacific Railway made application today to the Department of Commerce and Labor at Washington for a license to operate and maintain a wireless telegraph system along its lines. Several wireless stations, it is announced, will be constructed when the license is issued.

Federals Trapped.

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soldier as companion. He is held by United States troops below Hachita. FIVE THOUSAND MINERS STRIKE.

Belated reports arrived here today of a strike at Mapimi, Durango, involving 5,000 Mexican miners. American officials of the mine threaten to close down indefinitely until conditions in the surrounding country are more settled.

At Chihuahua, Chihuahua, four inches of snow was on the ground when the residents awoke this morning and there was the first before Christmas sleighing in nearly a score of years. Evansville, Ind., is in the grip of a real blizzard. A snowstorm has been raging all day and reports indicate it will continue through the night. In the event traffic will be seriously affected.

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INVESTIGATE MORPHINE SALE.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—A general investigation into the illicit sale of morphine in Paris will be made as a result of the death here yesterday from the use of the drug of Rene R. Bichet, a young man who recently was appointed professor of French in the royal college at Buda Pest.

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Snow has fallen in the Texas Panhandle to the depth of seven inches and practically the same condition exists in Oklahoma. Other States that are feeling the storm are Illinois, Arkansas, Kentucky and Indiana.

Anna, Ill., is buried under a white blanket nine inches deep. The snow will be of benefit, however, as there has been no rainfall for two months and nearly all cisterns are empty.

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SEAT SALE FOR FIRST WEEK NOW OPEN.

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UNCLE SAM PAYS SERVANTS' HIRE.

Officers' Emoluments Also Include Horses' Feed.

Supreme Court Sustains Claim of Widow.

Refuses to Enjoin a Gas Rate of Ninety Cents.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The United States government has announced that it will pay the hire of house servants, according to a decision today by the Supreme Court of the United States. The decision was announced in the case of a Mrs. Sarah K. McLean, the widow of Nathaniel K. McLean, a clerk of the Treasury department who died in 1884. The court held that the "emoluments" of a major during the years he was out of the army, Mrs. McLean could sue the government for the hire of her servants during those years. The court also held that the government was liable for the hire of her servants during those years.

NINETY-CENT GAS.
The Supreme Court declined today to enjoin the city of Des Moines, Iowa, from enforcing its 90-cent gas ordinance, pending the consideration by the court of its constitutionality. Under ordinary circumstances, the constitutionality of the ordinance would not be considered by the court for two or three years.

Cities must not tax telephone companies for sending messages if the companies have accepted the terms of the act of the Congress of 1896, making them governmental agencies under certain circumstances, according to another decision by the court.

HOLD TAX INVALID.
In the case of D. G. Williams, agent for the Western Union Telegraph Company at Talladega, Ala., who was fined \$25 for sending a message without the company first having obtained a license for such business, it was held that the tax was invalid.

The constitutionality of the Indiana statute taxing an owner of stock in foreign corporations was upheld. The question arose in the attempt of the State to collect \$25,000 in taxes from I. M. Darnell, late of Indianapolis, on the shares of a Tennessee corporation.

POSTPONE UNION PACIFIC.
The court recessed until January 6 without giving a decision as to the rights of Union Pacific stockholders in the distribution of the Southern Pacific stock held by the Union Pacific Railway Company, or making a decision in the State rate cases.

Solicitor-General Bullitt filed with the Supreme Court today the government brief asking for the reversal of the decision of the Massachusetts Federal Court dismissing four of the five counts in the indictments returned under the Sherman anti-trust law against the United Shoe Machinery Company. The case will be argued January 6 in the Supreme Court.

PITH OF THE DAY'S NEWS FROM THE MIDDLE WEST.

(BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)

CHICAGO BUREAU OF THE TIMES. Dec. 23.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) Weather forecasters promise a "green Christmas" tree of cold or snow, with the temperature probably not below 30 deg. above. Today's maximum temperature was 41 deg. and the minimum 24 deg. Southwest wind, fourteen miles an hour. No cold weather appears anywhere on tonight's map—Quebec, with 3 deg. above, being the coldest spot. Considerable rain and snow, however, appears at various points. Temperatures at other points:

	Max.	Min.
Albany	30	14
Bismarck	34	20
Cairo	36	22
Cheyanne	39	25
Cincinnati	38	24
Cleveland	32	18
Concordia	48	32
Davenport	42	26
Denver	44	28
Des Moines	44	28
Devils Lake	26	10
Detroit	26	10
Dodge City	46	30
Dubuque	40	24
Duluth	30	14
Keosauqua	34	18
Grand Rapids	36	20
Green Bay	32	16
Harris	42	26
Huron	28	12
Indianapolis	34	18
Kansas City	46	30
Marquette	24	8
Memphis	38	22
Minneapolis	34	18
Omaha	38	22
St. Louis	42	26
St. Paul	30	14
Sault Ste. Marie	32	16
Springfield, Ill.	32	16
Springfield, Mo.	42	26
Wichita	46	30

GOV. BLEASER'S RECIPE.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
Baton Rouge (La.) Dec. 23.—When Sheriff Parker went to the Courthouse of West Baton Rouge today he found the body of Norm Cadore, a negro, swinging from a telegraph pole a short distance from the jail. Cadore had been convicted of killing Joseph Norman, a plantation manager, about three weeks ago.

A FENOLANES REGIMENT.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
TOPEKA (Kan.) Dec. 23.—Not one

UNITED STATES FAR BEHIND.

In Last of Great Powers in Science of Aviation While France Leads First.

BY A. P. DAY WIRE TO THE TIMES.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The United States, humiliated by the first heavier-than-air flying machine, is far behind other nations in military aviation. This is the assertion of Capt. Washington I. Chambers, U.S.N., chief of the navy's aviation corps, an expert who is devoting his entire time to the science. He says:

"France leads the world in aviation and all that she does is worth doing. A short time ago, in response to an inquiry by the Minister of War, over 3000 officers signed their desire to learn aerial navigation. Germany leads in aero stations, but is making great progress in aviation also. "France has eight dirigibles, Germany, 30. The number of aeroplanes actually possessed by each is rapidly increasing, but France probably will possess about 350 before the end of the year, the ultimate aim being to have 1000 as soon as the requisite number of pilots can be taught to use them."

"It is significant of German foresight that one of the first steps undertaken when it was decided to construct an aerial fleet, was to found an aero-dynamic laboratory. This is at Göttingen, where the best-known course of instruction in aerodynamics is ably conducted by Prof. Prandtl."

"France leads with a total appropriation of \$6,400,000 to date, and a popular subscription of \$1,000,000. Germany is second with a total appropriation of \$1,000,000, and a popular subscription of \$750,000. Next come Russia, Great Britain, Italy, Japan and then the United States."

UNCLE SAM AS SANTA CLAUS.

Buffalo Girl Writes Secretary of Senate for Maps so She Can Study Geography.

BY WIRELESS LINE TO THE TIMES.
WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE TIMES, Dec. 23.—(Special Dispatch.) Margaret Cummer, a little girl living in Buffalo, N. Y., who has faith in the Santa Claus spirit of Uncle Sam, will probably be rewarded for it through the instrumentality of the United States government. A letter was received by the secretary of the Senate today addressed to Uncle Sam, Washington, D. C. It reads as follows: "Dear Uncle Sam: Will you please send me a map of the United States. Also on the North America if you have it. I am 10 years old and studying geography. Thank you, Margaret Cummer."

The secretary of the Senate is not authorized to dispense Christmas largesse in the name of Uncle Sam, but he took the trouble to send the letter to the office of Senator Root, and the chances are that the little girl in Buffalo will be rewarded with her maps.

SAN DOMINGO QUIETED.

Battlefield Leaves Today.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The installation of Archbishop Noual as temporary President of San Domingo, has so much improved the situation, that it is expected the battleship New Hampshire, which was sent to the island to grant a good order of the capital, will sail for home tomorrow.

WILLIAM W. RICHARDSON DEAD.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(By A. P. Night Wire.) William W. Richardson, for several years news editor of the Washington Star and for many years under the Sherman anti-trust law, died at his residence at Drummond, Md., last night, of cirrhosis of the liver.

San Francisco.

Christmas Day at White House.

HELEN AND ROBERT TAFT PLAY HOST AND HOSTESS.
Cabinet Officers Will Observe Yuletide Festivities in Their Family Circle—British Embassy Keeps Feast in Old Fashioned Manner. Social Activities Will Be Brilliant.

By CONSTANCE CARRUTHERS.

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TO KEEP BUSY INVESTIGATING.

Inquiry Fever in House Is Unprecedented.

Seven Committees to Probe After Holidays.

Hundred Thousand Dollars Cost to Nation.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—An era of investigation probably unprecedented in the history of the House will be ushered in when Congress re-assembles in January. Members of the House will divide their attention among seven distinct investigations scheduled to begin immediately after the holidays. They are:

Inquiry into the so-called money trust, hearings before the Ways and Means Committee preliminary to tariff revision by the next Congress, the probe into the New Haven-Grand Trunk Railroad situation in New England, the Judiciary Committee's hearings on general trust legislation, the inquiry into the ramifications of the so-called foreign and domestic shipping trust by the Merchant Marine Committee, the glass subcommittee's investigation incident to the framing of a currency bill, and the inquiry into the affairs of the office of superintendent of insurance in the District of Columbia, with testimony to be taken not only in Washington, but also probably New York. The insurance inquiry will begin December 24 with the District of Columbia commissioners on the witness stand.

These committees will endeavor to complete their work by the end of the session. It is estimated the investigations will cost in the aggregate more than \$100,000.

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VICEROY AND VICEREINE BOMB THROWER'S TARGET.

(By Cable and A. P. to the Times.)

DELHI (Ind.) Dec. 23.—Baron and Baroness Hardinge, Viceroy and Vicereine of India, miraculously escaped assassination by a native fanatic today while making their morning walk.

The umbrella-bearer who was killed had acted in that capacity for Lord Curzon.

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WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

CHARLESTON (W. Va.) Dec. 23.—(Special Dispatch.) The official canvass of the November election shows the Republicans will have a majority of twenty in the House of Delegates when the West Virginia Legislature meets, January 2. The Senate will be a tie.

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Lady Hardinge.
Baron and Baroness Hardinge.

ceremonial entry into Delhi, the new imperial capital of India.

The splinters of the powerful bomb which killed one native attendant and injured another, penetrated the back and shoulders of the Viceroy and he was also wounded in the neck by the screws with which the bomb was filled and which passed through his helmet. The doctors who removed the metal splinters from the wounds decided it was marvellous that the Viceroy escaped fatal injuries.

Lady Hardinge, immediately after the explosion, asked her husband if he was hurt. He replied: "I am all right. Go on."

Lady Hardinge then said: "We cannot. There is a dead man behind."

Lady Hardinge suffered severely from shock and it was found necessary to apply soothing remedies.

The elephant on which they were riding halted and the Viceroy tried to stand up, but reeled and fainted and the officials who gathered around had much difficulty in removing him from the elephant's back.

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Returns, Though Papers in Case Are Destroyed.
Wealthy Chicago Contractor Victim of Murder.

W. A. P. NIGHT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Pushed from the Canadian border into the arms of American officers, because of treaty between this nation and Canada makes no provisions for extraditing escaped prisoners, Jack Black, a notorious convict, was pronounced in court here today and sentenced to serve one year in San Quentin on a charge for which he had previously been sentenced to twenty years.

In gratitude he made a long statement of his career to the court. In reply Judge Dunne said briefly: "You men, Black, who have passed through what you have, seem to realize their work of redemption lies largely with themselves and that the future is in their own hands. And you have arrived at this conclusion in your favor and I believe that there still is hope for you."

Convicted nearly nine years ago, of a serious assault, Black was sentenced to twenty-five years. Pending his appeal came the great fire of 1906, destroying all the papers in the case. His future then became a lawyer's puzzle. It was impossible to free him and it seemed equally impossible to resentence him or to re-sentence him. That was the Gordian Knot by escaping from jail.

It was charged at the time that he had embezzled \$1700 by trading in with other prisoners. Assistant District Attorney McNutt referred to Judge Dunne that Black's six years in the County Jail represented already a fourteen-year sentence with allowance for good conduct.

Turned Down.
PLEA OF WORKS GOES UNHEEDED.

SENATOR'S BROTHER-IN-LAW REFUSED PARDON.

Twenty-six Fellow-Prisoners in Indiana Will Go Free on Christmas Eve, but Charles E. Vannett Must Serve at Least Two Years of the Sentence for Manslaughter.

BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) The Christmas Eve will ring sweeter music to twenty-six Indiana men and their families than the rebirth-of-hope holiday ever brought to them.

Charles E. Vannett will be their good friend and his pack will hold one hundred and twenty-five pardons from Indiana penal institutions. When the prison doors swing open for the twenty-six, it probably will mark the last day of democracy of the Marshall administration.

On Christmas bells, however, will ring out sweetly to Charles E. Vannett, who is serving a sentence of two to twenty-one years in the State Penitentiary at Michiana, for manslaughter in spite of the pleas on the part of his fellow-prisoners, United States Senator John W. Weeks of California, and other prominent attorneys and lodge members which reviewed the different cases last week and on the recommendation of superintendent of the State Prison made a personal plea for the form of a letter to the board of pardons in behalf of Vannett.

United States Senator John W. Weeks of California, however, has refused to sign the pardon. The friends of the convicted man, Charles E. Vannett, a prominent attorney and lodge member at Shelbyville, Ind. More than a thousand names were signed to a petition to the board asking that Vannett be paroled from the penitentiary, but the board of pardons in Shelbyville where Vannett was shot down in a public street.

NO FURTHER EFFORTS.
It is believed that there will be no further efforts to have Senator Weeks' name paroled by the State Board of pardons until the minimum part of his sentence has been served at the penitentiary. Vannett has been at the penitentiary for thirteen months, and it is understood that those who have helped him to keep him behind the bars after the two years of his minimum sentence have expired. In the opinion of the board of pardons, Marshall recommended that Vannett be continued in prison at least for the two years.

Charles E. Vannett had been accused of the murder of a woman in a public street. Tindall was a suitor of a woman in the Court of Honor.

SCOLDING CHAPLAIN.
The Department to Pass on Reprimand Administered for Marrying Chaplain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) The chaplain of the army, who has been on duty at Vancouver Barracks, has been reprimanded for marrying a woman. The chaplain recently married a woman, and the reprimand was administered by the department.

The judge cautioned the accused that this hardly constituted a sufficient defense for homicide, remarking that he understood the answer given in the accused, but that he wished to express the opinion that as far as his years of observation went, he felt confident the wound caused by jealousy always heals. The magistrate continued:

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FRENCH CONGRESS ADJOURNS.
Will Meet Again in January to Elect New President of the Republic.

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The last business transacted was the adoption of a motion by Representative La Grosse of Martinique, asking the government to put in force urgent measures for securing the French Antilles the fullest benefits to be derived from the opening of the Panama Canal.

LABORERS ARRESTED BY IMMIGRATION.
Authorities Allowed to Remain Because of Their Exceptional Ability.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Criminal proceedings against Frank J. Willey and Arthur Saville, charged with conspiring to bring aliens into the country in violation of the contract labor laws, were withdrawn today on the authorization of Atty.-Gen. Wickham, and civil action was instituted for the recovery of \$20,000 in penalties.

Willey, a son of the former Lord Mayor of Bradford, Eng., is treasurer of the Burr Wool Combine Company of Burr, Mass., where, it is alleged, the aliens were to be employed.

Willey's lawyers claimed that some of the alleged contract laborers arrested under the immigration acts were entitled to enter the United States under the provisions of the immigration act because they were "experienced skilled laborers of a kind the like of which could not be found in this country," and to this view Atty.-Gen. Wickham assented in certain cases.

ROY SLAYER SENTENCED.
Twenty Years to Life.

BUFALO (N. Y.) Dec. 23.—J. Frank Hickey, convicted of killing Joseph Josephs, the 7-year-old Lackawanna boy, was sentenced today to the State's prison at Auburn for an indeterminate sentence, the minimum of which is twenty years and the maximum life.



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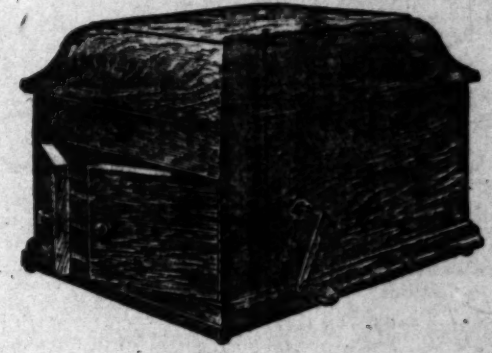
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Foreign.
"SHE ROBBED ME, I KILLED HER."
Woman Novelist Who Shot Rival Is Acquitted.
Paris Judge Calls Husband's Conduct Unpardonable.
Denounces Man as the Real Felon and Traitor.

BY CABLE AND A. P. TO THE TIMES.
PARIS, Dec. 23.—Mme. Bloch, a novelist, who on July 31 last shot and killed Mrs. Minnie Bridgeman, the wife of James E. Bridgeman, an employee of the Paris branch of an American life insurance company, was acquitted in the Assize Court here today to the charge of homicide.

The shooting was the outcome of an attachment between Mme. Bloch's husband and Mrs. Bridgeman.

The jury quickly brought in a verdict of acquittal. The accused woman was condemned, however, to pay one franc damages in connection with the civil action of which the shooting was the basis.

"Mrs. Bridgeman betrayed me and robbed me both of my husband and of my home. So I killed her," this was the defense set up by Mme. Bloch.

JUDGE DENOUNCES HUSBAND.
Several dramatic incidents marked the trial today. At one moment the president of the court, Judge Bertulus denounced Mme. Bloch's husband, saying:

"Your conduct in this affair is unpardonable."

Mme. Bloch was a striking figure dressed in black and her black eyes and black hair added to the effect. She was accompanied by the engraver, M. Dumoulin, who was a conspicuous figure in the Steinhil case, when he assisted Mme. Steinhil in court and was at that time characterized by some of the newspapers as the "lady-man chaplain."

Mme. Bloch, weeping, told the story of the shooting of Mrs. Bridgeman, explaining that she had been driven to despair and had avenged her love and the honor of her home.

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The last business transacted was the adoption of a motion by Representative La Grosse of Martinique, asking the government to put in force urgent measures for securing the French Antilles the fullest benefits to be derived from the opening of the Panama Canal.

LABORERS ARRESTED BY IMMIGRATION.
Authorities Allowed to Remain Because of Their Exceptional Ability.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Criminal proceedings against Frank J. Willey and Arthur Saville, charged with conspiring to bring aliens into the country in violation of the contract labor laws, were withdrawn today on the authorization of Atty.-Gen. Wickham, and civil action was instituted for the recovery of \$20,000 in penalties.

Willey, a son of the former Lord Mayor of Bradford, Eng., is treasurer of the Burr Wool Combine Company of Burr, Mass., where, it is alleged, the aliens were to be employed.

Willey's lawyers claimed that some of the alleged contract laborers arrested under the immigration acts were entitled to enter the United States under the provisions of the immigration act because they were "experienced skilled laborers of a kind the like of which could not be found in this country," and to this view Atty.-Gen. Wickham assented in certain cases.

ROY SLAYER SENTENCED.
Twenty Years to Life.

BUFALO (N. Y.) Dec. 23.—J. Frank Hickey, convicted of killing Joseph Josephs, the 7-year-old Lackawanna boy, was sentenced today to the State's prison at Auburn for an indeterminate sentence, the minimum of which is twenty years and the maximum life.

Lux Orientalis.
LIGHT FROM THE EAST ON THE LIVING ISSUES.
(BY WIRELESS LINE TO THE TIMES.)

NEW YORK BUREAU OF THE TIMES, Dec. 23.—(Special Dispatch.) Following editorial comments on topics of the hour are printed in eastern newspapers:

TOO LATE FOR ARBITRATION.
IN HANDS OF CONGRESS.

[Washington Post, Dec. 23:] President Taft and Secretary Knox could not provide for arbitration of the Panama Canal controversy if they would. Our diplomatic authorities could only act as intermediaries between the British government and Congress. Control of the canal is in the hands of that body and when Representative Mann asserts that the canal is ours and that this country is bound by no legal obligations to England, he means that the point raised by England has been legislated out of existence.

THE FRENCH PRESIDENT.
THEY TRY TO SIDESTEP IT.

[New York Times, Dec. 23:] It seems to American observers that the chief anxiety of French statesmen at the present moment should be how to escape election as President. After the excitement that perturbed our own land for well nigh half a year, the condition of our great sister republic seems rather enviable. The fact is, however, that there is little ambition among active public men for the Presidency because the office carries little real power and by custom, if not strictly by law, excludes its incumbent from any of the valuable prizes of the political struggle.


MONOPOLIZED WATERWAYS.
KEEP THE CANAL OPEN.

[New York World, Dec. 23:] Through power lately given the Interstate Commerce Commission over through rail and water rates, much can be done to break up this extension of rail to waterway monopoly. Through public docks and terminals still more can be done.

Let the ocean be kept free and open to all as God made it, and our rivers and canals as free and open to all as man intended they should be. They are not so now. But they can be made so.

OPPORTUNITY.
MR. BRYAN'S MILCH COW.

[New York Sun, Dec. 23:] Saturday night, Mr. Bryan spoke to the toast "Opportunity." A good many of the brethren must have seen the irony of the subject. For sixteen



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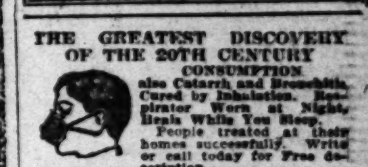


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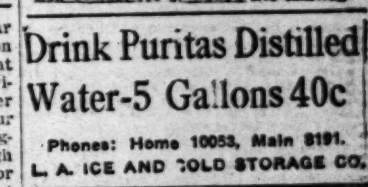
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THE WEATHER. U. S. WEATHER BUREAU. Los Angeles, Dec. 24. (Reported by the Los Angeles Weather Bureau.) At 8 a. m. the thermometer registered 52. At 10 a. m. 54. At 12 m. 56. At 2 p. m. 58. At 4 p. m. 56. At 6 p. m. 54. At 8 p. m. 52. At 10 p. m. 50. At 12 m. 48. At 2 a. m. 46. At 4 a. m. 44. At 6 a. m. 42. At 8 a. m. 40. At 10 a. m. 38. At 12 m. 36. At 2 p. m. 34. At 4 p. m. 32. At 6 p. m. 30. At 8 p. m. 28. At 10 p. m. 26. At 12 m. 24. At 2 a. m. 22. At 4 a. m. 20. At 6 a. m. 18. At 8 a. m. 16. At 10 a. m. 14. At 12 m. 12. At 2 p. m. 10. At 4 p. m. 8. At 6 p. m. 6. At 8 p. m. 4. At 10 p. m. 2. At 12 m. 0. At 2 a. m. -2. At 4 a. m. -4. At 6 a. m. -6. At 8 a. m. -8. At 10 a. m. -10. At 12 m. -12. At 2 p. m. -14. At 4 p. m. -16. At 6 p. m. -18. At 8 p. m. -20. At 10 p. m. -22. At 12 m. -24. At 2 a. m. -26. At 4 a. m. -28. At 6 a. m. -30. At 8 a. m. -32. At 10 a. m. -34. At 12 m. -36. At 2 p. m. -38. At 4 p. m. -40. At 6 p. m. -42. At 8 p. m. -44. At 10 p. m. -46. At 12 m. -48. At 2 a. m. -50. At 4 a. m. -52. At 6 a. m. -54. At 8 a. m. -56. At 10 a. m. -58. At 12 m. -60. At 2 p. m. -62. At 4 p. m. -64. At 6 p. m. -66. At 8 p. m. -68. At 10 p. m. -70. At 12 m. -72. At 2 a. m. -74. At 4 a. m. -76. At 6 a. m. -78. At 8 a. m. -80. At 10 a. m. -82. At 12 m. -84. At 2 p. m. -86. At 4 p. m. -88. At 6 p. m. -90. At 8 p. m. -92. At 10 p. m. -94. At 12 m. -96. At 2 a. m. -98. At 4 a. m. -100.

REDONDO BEACH. ARRIVED-MONDAY, DEC. 23. Steamer Graywolf, Capt. Olsen, from Wilmington. Sailed-MONDAY, DEC. 23. Steamer Graywolf, Capt. Olsen, for San Diego. Steamer Yosemite, Capt. Nelson, for San Francisco. Steamer Casper, Capt. Madson, for San Pedro. IN PORT. The Collins, wharf No. 1. SCHEDULE OF ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES OF PASSENGER VESSELS. TUESDAY, DEC. 24. Steamer Governor, from Seattle, via San Francisco, on voyage for San Diego, via San Pedro. FRIDAY, DEC. 27. Steamer state of California, from San Francisco, via Santa Barbara, on voyage for San Diego, via San Pedro. PORT ITEMS. The steamer Graywolf, arrived today from Wilmington with 100,000 feet of lumber for local dealers and sailed tonight for San Pedro with the remainder of her cargo. The steamer Yosemite arrived today for San Diego from San Francisco, via Santa Barbara. The steamer Casper arrived from Casper with 10,000 feet of lumber and sailed for San Pedro this afternoon.

Shares and Money. STOCK MARKET IS UNCERTAIN. FLUCTUATIONS IRREGULAR, BUT TREND IS DOWNWARD. Doubt as to Decision of Supreme Court in Minnesota Rate Case Restricts Trading and Bear Element Takes Advantage of Situation to Cause Recession.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(By A. P. Night wire to the Times.)—The irregular fluctuations of stocks today indicated that the market was still on an uncertain footing. The trend was a weak one, however, toward a lower level and at the close of the day a large part of the leading issues had fallen in price or were trading at a discount. The market was characterized by a general lack of confidence, and the bear element took advantage of the situation to cause a general decline in prices. The Minnesota rate case, which is expected to be decided by the Supreme Court, was a major factor in the market's weakness. The case involves the rate of interest on loans made by the state of Minnesota to the Northern Pacific railroad, and the decision is expected to have a significant impact on the railroad's finances and the stock market as a whole.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Exclusive to the Times.)—Following were the closing prices of stocks and bonds on Monday, Dec. 23. The market was generally weak, with many stocks closing at a discount from their previous prices. The bond market was also affected, with many bonds trading at a discount. The following table shows the closing prices of some of the most important stocks and bonds:

Stock	Price	Stock	Price
Am. Tobacco	100.00	Gen. Elec.	100.00
Am. Sugar	100.00	Ill. Steel	100.00
Am. Cotton	100.00	Mich. Consol.	100.00
Am. Oil	100.00	N. Y. Cent.	100.00
Am. Paper	100.00	Pac. Coast	100.00
Am. Rubber	100.00	Rock Island	100.00
Am. Steel	100.00	S. P. Co.	100.00
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U. S. 10's	100.00	U. S. 11's	100.00
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THE POLITICAL WATCHTOWER



To be sure, 'tis the open season on Federal plum pie, but Federal patronage is not the first consideration of all the California Democrats. The hope that the regular Republicans will have none of the so-called "Progressive" candidates and that they will continue to vote the Democratic ticket promises the early development of a large field of Bourbon candidates for Governor. Few Democrats are prepared to believe that T. Dore Bell is not a candidate for Democratic nomination in 1914. The Wilson leaders in the State insist that the first purpose of the Democratic League recently organized by Bell and his friends is the election of Bell to the post of party leadership. Although Bell's gubernatorial efforts were smashed to a pulp both times he ran, the Napa county "boy orator" feels confident, "it is said, that the third time will be the charm that will land him in the executive chair of the State."

Two years ago Bell was the most popular Democrat in California and a recognized leader in the nation, but since the Baltimore convention, where the "Napa Eagle" hurled the hooks into W. J. B. his popularity has been skinned alive. The "Napa Eagle" side until today it is hanging on the brink of the junk pile of oblivion. Nearly all of Bell's old friends and supporters have deserted him since the Baltimore tragedy and his efforts to come back are almost pitiful to behold. The Wilson-Phelan-McNab wings of the party administered a big league wallop to T. Dore at the Democratic State convention, held in Sacramento September 24, and Bell's staunchest friends admitted after the battle that it was slow music and the curtain fell on Bell.

Bell absolutely refused to stay licked, however, and has been working like a Trojan to ever get back up his frayed forces to give battle to the common enemy within the party ranks.

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day and informed me that he would not go in if he were invited. All of which seems to indicate that if a "Progressive" caucus is organized in the Senate only Wright, Boynton and Cassidy may be considered as certain to be outside the brackets. The Los Angeles "Progressive" Senators and Assemblymen will go if the wily boss but lifts his finger. But if Johnson holds firm for the "Progressive" caucus, which seems almost certain, Lissner and his puppets will fall in line. Lissner is holding out for the Governor's coat-tails for dear life. These merry Yuletide days, and you couldn't pry him loose with a jimmy. If "Holy Hiram" ever turns on the wily boss—good night!

In an effort to expedite the work of the next Legislature, reduce expense to the State and obtain better efficiency in handling bills, resolutions and proposals, the special legislative committee named at the last session, of which Senator Wright of San Diego is chairman, will probably propose the adoption of a series of joint rules for the two houses, the organization of thirty-three important joint committees and an extension of power and authority to the Printing Committee. Senator Wright declared yesterday afternoon that it is the plan to refer to these proposed joint committees, to consist of Senators and Assemblymen, all bills, resolutions and proposals coming under separate heads. Joint sessions will be observed and reports made to the two houses on the subject. The report, if adopted, will advise the appointment of from five to nine members from the Senate and from seven to fifteen members from the Assembly for the make-up of the joint committees. Senator Wright has called the members of the special committee to meet in Sacramento January 4, and the proposed changes will at that time be considered carefully and reported to the Legislature shortly after it convenes.

Mayor Alexander announced yesterday that he would appoint City Clerk Lorin A. Handley as a member of the Board of Public Works to succeed William M. Humphreys, January 1. Handley is a Democrat and was for several years professor of theology at Occidental College. Humphreys is after the postmaster, and he appears to be leading in the race at this hour.

Humphreys has it that Charley Wilde, chief deputy city clerk, will be selected by the Council to succeed Handley. Wilde is fully qualified to discharge the duties of the office, having been employed in the City Clerk's office for nearly twenty years. He is popular with all classes and his friends are already booming him for the place.

THE WATCHMAN.

Slow Lane.

TWELVE YEARS TO GET ACTION.

ESPEE FINALLY FORCED TO DIG UP THIRD TRACK.

Persistence of Resident Gains Decision of the Supreme Court and Railroad Gets Busy—Offending Ribbon of Steel on Alhambra Avenue Comes Out.

After a twelve-year contest, extending from action of the City Council to decision of the Supreme Court, the Southern Pacific is at last removing its third track from Alhambra avenue. The last of the first section to be removed, that from Sichel street to Eastlake Park, was taken out yesterday. Sixty days are allowed from the 22nd of January for the removal of the section of the third track from Sichel street to the Los Angeles River.

The company is constructing its turn-out track at Sichel street so as to give access from its two remaining tracks to Alhambra avenue to its shop tracks, and later will install a similar turn-out at the Los Angeles River.

The franchise for these turn-outs named at one of the provisions of the grant that the Southern Pacific must pave its portion of Alhambra avenue from Eastlake avenue to the northerly city limits.

The history of the long contest by the city to secure a removal of the third tracks in Alhambra avenue is an interesting one. Twelve years ago, Alfred Moore, whose residence was on Sichel street adjoining the railroad tracks, appealed to the City Council objecting to the tracks practically occupying the entire space on Alhambra avenue.

The Council took up the subject by instructing the City Attorney, to make an investigation as to the right of the railroad company to maintain a third track. W. B. Matthews was then City Attorney and upon his rendering an opinion adverse to the maintenance of the tracks, action was commenced in the Superior Court to compel their removal.

This case was until Leslie R. Hewitt became City Attorney, and during his incumbency Judge Trask gave a decision adverse to the city.

Moore again stirred up the matter and finally the case was appealed. Under the regime of John Shenk as City Attorney a decision favorable to the city was rendered by the Supreme Court. The City Council served notice on the Southern Pacific to remove its third track.

This could not be accomplished until a franchise was given to the company for turn-offs, so that it might reach its shop-yards from its main tracks, and finally a franchise was awarded with the provisions as above outlined.

About three years ago Alfred Moore's residence was purchased for \$6000 by a party who, as it after wards appeared, was acting on behalf of the Southern Pacific, and this move was expected to cause a dropping of activities in stirring up protest against the maintenance of the third track; but Moore simply moved across the street to another property that he owned, and continued to insist upon activity upon the part of the city officials in pushing the suits to a conclusion.

MISSOURI WANTS HIM.

J. W. Wilson of the St. Joseph (Mo.) police force, wired the police yesterday that he was in Sacramento with refiled papers for the return of Gerald Schofield, wanted in St. Joseph to answer to a burglary charge. Wilson expects to reach here today or tomorrow night, in company with Edward Gow. Schofield, who is a Los Angeles man, is wanted in several eastern cities for various crimes. He is charged with having killed three men.

ONE OF THE LARGEST.

Christian Endeavor Convention Next Year Will Be Notable—Booster Brand Literature.

The international Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held in this city July 9-14, will, it is expected, be one of the most notable gatherings of the year in point of numbers attending. What is said to be a conservative estimate places the total at 10,000, and some enthusiasts put the figure at 60,000.

The publicity committee has been active in boosting the name and fame of the city throughout the United States and Canada. "Meet Me in Los Angeles" labels to the number of 200,000, and a like quantity of paper pennants, inscribed with the name of the city, have been distributed. The Santa Fe, Salt Lake and other railroads are sending out advertising pamphlets of which Los Angeles is the center. It is intended that approximately 2,000,000 pieces shall be distributed. A special round-trip rate of \$65 from Chicago, and correspondingly low rates from other points, will be in effect.

One of the largest delegations will be from the city, which is making a bid for the next convention. The program is in charge of the United States of Christian Endeavor, with headquarters in Boston. One of the interesting features will be a missionary pageant, made up of floats illustrating the diversified activities of Christian Endeavor societies throughout the world, and entered by the different units.

Following is a list of chairmen of the local subcommittees on arrangements: Local secretary, Paul C. Brown, hall and churches; Harold Cross, secretary; Arthur J. Gatter, press; Harry H. Godber, publicity; F. A. McBurney, entertainment; F. R. Roseler, usher; Leon V. Shaw, excursions, and James G. Warren, reception.

HONORS THE NEWSBOYS.

Ten Merchants of the Street at Banquet Given by President of Commercial House.

Ten newsboys were guests of honor last evening at a banquet given by F. R. Feitshans, president of the Los Angeles News Company, to officers and salesmen of the company at the Hollenbeck Cafe.

Each officer and salesman had been instructed to make his selection from the hundreds of newsboys and to bring that boy—forced, if necessary, to bring him—to the Hollenbeck Cafe, where a sumptuous feast would be in store. Shortly after 6:30 o'clock the ten merchants of the street, accompanied by salesmen, filed into the banquet-room of the hotel and the happy party began.

The guests of honor fairly revelled in the flow of good things to eat. Following the banquet, gifts were distributed to the boys, and the party, with shawls officiated as toastmaster and Acord Reynolds was spokesman for the newsboys. Max Brown, a bright boy with a host of experiences on the street in selling papers.

Each of the boys received three cheers for their generous host before they departed.

PERSONALS.

George W. Wilder, owner of the chief interest in the Butterick publication, and also in Everybody's Magazine, is staying at the Hollenbeck hotel here on business. He motored in from Redlands, where he has a winter home and a very extensive ranch. He is one of the foremost road advocates in the State and is showing his genuine interest he recently donated four miles of right of way through his properties. His headquarters are in Redlands.

William H. Kelley, owner of a transportation line out of Juneau, and also interested in Alaska fisheries, is registered at the Angelus while here for a sojourn over the winter. Kelley, L. Holland, clerk of the Superior Court in San Francisco, is registered at the same hotel.

Dr. T. W. Smith is registered at the Alexandria from Tucson, where he is connected with the hospital. F. J. Mackey, Chicago capitalist, clubman and poloist, is passing a few weeks at the same hotel. He will probably remain through the winter and take part in a number of the polo tournaments.

Mr. and Mrs. L. White of New York are passing a portion of their honeymoon at the hotel. White is an attorney.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Creators are occupying a suite at the Van Nuys. Creators is the inventor and manufacturer of a pen and pencil which is used throughout the world and his factory is located in Chicago. L. E. Doan, millionaire oil operator of Oakland, whose latest venture is the Gold Dollar Oil Company operating in the Midway fields, is staying at the same hotel and after a visit to Bakersfield and surrounding territory. John Hoy of Butte, one of the pioneer mining men of Montana, associated with the Clark interests, who is opening an old property in Arizona, is staying at the hotel while here on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Beckwith are registered at the Westminister from New York. Beckwith is a Wall Street operator and recently purchased a home at Coronado. S. D. Macfarland of St. Louis is registered at the hotel. He is in the iron casting business. Charles E. Bunker is a guest at the hotel and is registered from Minneapolis, where he is in the transfer business.

Dr. John S. Potts of San Francisco is in the city, the guest of his brother-in-law, Dr. P. French, No. 1575 West Adams street. The northern physician is here for his health.

Rev. W. R. Slighter, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Berea, O., is visiting his mother and sister at No. 1135 West Forty-second street over the holidays. He is a graduate of U.S.C., but has not been in Los Angeles for many years.

H. W. Schuster and his wife are registered at the Lankershim from New York. Schuster is the inventor and manufacturer of a patent harbor jetty and has the contract for placing one of these at San Pedro. The jetty is over on the increase and at the Lankershim yesterday one train brought in Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Beasley and their two sons of Victoria, B. C., and Mrs. W. B. McInnes and Mr. and Mrs. William McInnes of Vancouver.

CLEARINGS STILL GAIN.

December's Total Promises to Exceed November's By a Million Dollars or Two.

Bank clearings for this month to date aggregate about \$35,000,000, exceeding last year's total for the same period by more than \$18,000,000. If the present daily average of clearings is maintained for the remaining five days of the month, it is probable that the total will show an increase over last month of \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. In this case the aggregate for December will exceed that of any previous month in the history of the city. The clearings for the whole year will probably exhibit an increase over last year's total amounting to more than \$200,000,000.

Figures show that during the past five years the total resources of the city's banks have grown about \$165,000,000, and that since January 1, 1908, deposits have increased \$95,000,000, loans and investments about \$23,000,000, capital about \$2,000,000 and surplus and undivided profits about \$5,000,000. It is estimated that on January 1, 1913, deposits will be about \$178,484,000; loans and investments, \$151,586,000; capital, \$14,987,000; surplus and undivided profits, \$11,546,000, and total resources, \$205,546,000.

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If joy were a substance that shot into a myriad of colors in the night, like some opalescent gem, the atmosphere above Fourth street, just east of Main, would have taken on the appearance of a huge rainbow yesterday.

The occasion was the sixth annual distribution of Christmas gifts among the poor by the Shriners of Al Malaikah Temple. Undisturbed happiness fairly saturated the air. It was a scene of old and young, of the faces of children and of the countenances of stalwart porters and tender-hearted ladies who labored joyfully and untriflingly to the astonishing array of presents.

At No. 164 East Fourth street is a large vacant storehouse. That is to say, it was vacant until the Shriners took it over for the purpose of distributing full of drayloads of toys, food, bedding and clothing, and then it took on the appearance of the home of Santa Claus just before he starts on his Christmas rounds.

Many H. Flint, who for the past few years has had general charge of the work for Al Malaikah Temple, has organized a system of distribution that is unexcelled. From 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning until well into last night there was a crowd of from 100 to 400 persons, constantly thronging the door of this big joyous place, but not the slightest confusion or delay. Gifts were distributed with a dispatch that was surprising. Not a moment's delay was evident at any time.

The work of the Shriners more than 100,000 families. About 1200 families were benefited. And it is not yet. Applications for gifts are still coming in. The good work will go on until Christmas night. The total expenditure probably will reach \$10,000 before the task, if such it can be called, is complete.

In the six weeks past twelve men employed by the Temple have been investigating the needs of poverty-stricken families. Of 1219 cards covering their names were turned in up to yesterday noon, and more are still coming in. In a few instances applicants were found to be undeserving. Such cases found to be genuine received attention. An identification card was given the family. A duplicate card, setting forth the exact needs, was turned into the Shriners' headquarters. A comparison of the two yesterday called for the delivery. In this manner the needy were barred from benefits.

Practically every instance the needy called for a huge basket of provisions—potatoes, chicken, bread, butter, sugar, flour, lard and apples. In some cases there were clothes, bedding, rent and furniture orders, to meet individual needs, not to speak of the attractive toys picked up for the little ones.

In addition to the baskets, were sent out. There also were seventy-five small white bags, each containing a dollar, and in several cases were paid to save poor families from destitution. Last installment on a woman's sewing machine was given her. Customers duty on a package from the old country was paid. Cash was given in certain emergency cases.

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Glad Christmastide Feast.

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will be Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor of Temple Baptist Church.

CHURCH ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Christmas entertainment at the First Methodist Church, where they have an enrollment of over 2200 scholars, stretches out over a number of days. The primary department had their last week, last night the intermediate department was entertained, and on Friday night the seniors will celebrate with an elaborate program of music and other interesting features.

Temple Baptist Church held an entertainment yesterday afternoon for the small children of the school, and last night for the seniors.

At St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral three religious services will be held tomorrow—7:30, 9 and 10:45 a.m. At the latter Bishop Johnson will be the preacher. Then Sunday-school entertainment will be given on Friday night, when a program of music and fun is scheduled, as well as gifts for the children.

St. John's Episcopal Church will also hold two services tomorrow. At 7:30 a.m. Rev. L. S. Sherman will officiate, and at 10:30 a.m. a sermon will be preached by Rev. R. B. Gooden.

FREE MISSION DINNERS.

The Salvation Army will begin its Christmas cheer operations today by distributing 250 baskets of unusual proportions, each to contain sufficient provisions to supply a family of five persons for several days. Tomorrow at No. 431 South Hill street, they will serve dinner to about 1000 persons; tomorrow night they will have a Christmas tree at the Wilmington-street quarters for 500 children; Thursday night, a tree celebration will be held at the Hill-street quarters.

The Christian Mission and Industrial Association, at its quarters at Seventh street, will distribute 250 baskets between 9 and 10 o'clock Christmas morning, and in the evening, will hold a Christmas tree celebration at Blanchard Hall for 500 poor children. They will also have an interesting program and will give orders on merchants for merchandise to deserving persons.

THE SHRINERS' BIG DAY.

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The police department helped out amazingly by sending a detail of five policemen, who aided women and children in getting away with their gifts. More than 1000 of them were supplied before the place closed in the evening and the remainder will be gotten out today.

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BEING IN LIMBO IS NO BAR.

At the City Jail the ordinarily gloomy atmosphere will be brightened with decorations of evergreens on Christmas, and a royal dinner will be provided for the prisoners, and the feast will be topped off with appetizing cups of apple cider, cigars and tobacco.

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WOULD CROWD US OUT.

Ventura Anglers Object to Angelenos Catching the Most Fish and Seek to Close Scops.

The Isak Wallons of Los Angeles have got on the nerves of the Ventura county fishermen. Because the latter will seek at the next session of the Legislature to have the Sycamore River closed to fishing for a period of years, a call has been issued to Los Angeles anglers to strike for their rights and seek to defeat the bill.

Attorney J. P. Hogan received a

communication yesterday from George J. Hanley, whose hospitality many Angelenos will remember with pleasure, in which the northern man seeks to unite opposition to the bill. It is likely that a meeting of some kind may be called, at which protest will be entered by all interested anglers.

The Ventura people claim that fishermen from this city get the bulk of the fish. Angelenos say that the money they spend on fishing trips more than offsets this.

Flat-Footed.

NO PEDDLERS ARE ALLOWED.

UNCLE SAM GOES AFTER HIS MEN WHO SELL JOBS.

Section of Federal Code F over Force Used Is Invoked and This City's Mdd: Starting Point of General Campaign—Two Arrested, Plead Guilty, Are Sentenced.

For the first time in the history of the Postoffice Department, section 112 of the revised statutes of the United States, providing time and imprisonment for violators of the law against trafficking in postoffice appointments or positions was invoked yesterday.

Two of the men arrested after their indictment, Leon F. Tyler of Pasadena and J. E. Richter of Los Angeles were arraigned in the United States District Court yesterday and both pleaded guilty.

Leniency was asked by Dist. Atty. Regan in both instances. Richter and his wife are both suffering from tuberculosis and it was pleaded in his behalf that he had sought to make the change in his work to Denver in order that he might have the benefit of the high altitude for his ailment. He had spent all of his money to secure relief, and in his desperation had answered the advertisement of J. E. Dougherty in the Postal Record of Washington, who had asked for a chance to come to Los Angeles by changing positions. Richter claimed that he had only required his railroad fare to Denver, instead of \$500 for the "swap" of jobs. Judge Wellborn in view of the circumstances fined Richter \$1 and ordered him committed to the County Jail for one month. The court in passing judgment declared that the leniency exercised in this instance would not apply to future infractions of the law.

Leon F. Tyler, the Pasadena letter carrier who offered to trade his position with the same Dougherty in return for a place in the Denver postoffice on the payment of \$500 by Dougherty, also pleaded guilty and a similar sentence was given him. It appeared that Tyler came to Santa Barbara from the East some years ago on account of his health. By reason of sickness he became involved in heavy obligations. He came to Los Angeles and the debts pursued him. He sought to get rid of them by going away as far as possible and wrote Dougherty agreeing to trade for the money mentioned.

The postoffice authorities have complained for years that wholesale trafficking in jobs was going on all over the country, and it was agreed that an example should be made of some of the persistent violators of the law and the regulations of the department. Heretofore the greatest difficulty has been experienced in getting the proper evidence.

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A POSITION DEFINED.
 The man who says that he has practically quit some bad habit means that, theoretically, he has quit and that practically he is still at it.

MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN.
 For a long time the world has heard rumblings of trouble between Mexico and the United States. Well, it has come at last. American officers have been forbidden to participate in the horse races at Juarez.

DEAD LETTERS.
 The postal clerks of Los Angeles point with pride to the fact that they stamped 15,000 letters one day last week. A much larger number of holiday greetings must now be written daily in a city of this size and we can only conclude that the remainder are still carefully concealed in the pockets of those who forgot to mail them.

HUNGRY FOR FORTUNE.
 "How in the world did it happen that the jury acquitted you of stealing the hog?" The proof was dead against you," said Mr. Sparrow's neighbor of him after the trial.

"Well, you see," was the response, "the jury got some of the pork."

There are forty-two powers represented in The Hague tribunal, each having a veto on the high seas. Every one of these powers is directly interested in having Panama Canal tolls as low as possible, and to that end are interested in trying to prevent the United States from exempting its coastwise vessels from toll.

What a farce it would be to submit the question of Panama Canal tolls to such a tribunal, a farce that is in sight and every member of the jury hungry for pork.

A WASHINGTON DUEL.
 Senator Don Joaquín Calvo, son of the Minister from Costa Rica, made a mistake when he challenged Pete Daffey, city editor of a Washington paper, because of a controversy in a telephone conversation regarding a piece of news.

Daffey did not decline, as the fiery Latin-American senator expected. On the contrary, he accepted. As the challenged party he had the choice of weapons. He did not select guns or pistols, because when they go off they may inflict serious injury. He did not select swords or bowie knives, for man was not made to be carved. He selected two-ounce gloves as the weapons, and a secluded portion of the White House grounds as the place of combat.

Two minutes after the fight began the friends of Senator Don Joaquín Calvo conducted him to Wornley's restaurant and ordered two beefsteaks, one for his inner man and one for his damaged optics, and Pete Daffey, unscarred, resumed his editorial labors, singing "Somebody Else's Bein' Gettin' It."

THE LODGE OF LIFE.
 The expansion of faculty and the building of character seem to be points on which most earnest persons agree, but both are something to be proved by living and never to be learned by study. There is a command in the Bible to know thyself, but as David Graham Phillips remarks in one of his stories, it is not absolutely necessary to understand one's self; one is swept in the same general direction, anyhow, but understanding helps one to go faster and steadier. This should apply as a sound remedy to many persons who entirely miss God by forever seeking him. There is a sort of soul sickness which seems bent on finding what is never found, as if the Deity were a lion to be traced down to a lair. As no one can sing until he can hear himself sing, so no one has character until it is applied to every-day action. Great souls may finally encompass a cosmic vision, but it has come to them as a natural growth and not because they sat in a dark room thinking about it or paid some quick sum of money that wisdom on which there can never be a price and which is finally taught only by the self.

PARLIAMENTARY PERSONALITIES.
 The amenities appurtenant to an old-time Nevada Territorial Legislature have crossed the Atlantic and exhibited themselves fearlessly and flamboyantly in the British House of Commons. Sir J. D. Rees said that the Ministerial members "had nothing to say with regard to the burdens imposed upon the British taxpayer. All they cared for was their £400 a year." Mr. W. Thorne, who was sitting on the cross benches outside the chamber, said to Sir J. D. Rees: "Where do you get your £600 from?" Sir J. D. Rees demanded that statement. Mr. Thorne replied: "Don't throw your dirty insinuations over here." Mr. Wilson inquired if a dirty insinuation was a parliamentary expression. The chairman answered that it was a matter of taste and Sir J. D. Rees replied that it was damned bad taste or words to that effect.

That reminds one of the days when Col. Elmo Howard-God rest his genial soul—said in the Nevada Legislature: "Mr. President, you or I, the most degraded or the most virtuous of mankind—" and the president rapped on his desk and said: "The bald-headed, glass-eyed, spindle-shanked old sinner who misrepresents his country in this chamber will come to order." Ah, those were the olden, golden days!

THE LITERACY TEST.
 To select soldiers for their stature and value them at so much per inch, to retire all officers at a certain age irrespective of their capacity, to condemn a desert as a barren waste because without applied water it is non-productive—these ideas are on a par with legislation to bar out all emigrants who are illiterate. The tall soldier is an easier mark for the enemy; age and experience often produce better results than youth and confidence; the richest lands in the world were once deserts. An educated foreigner may be a dangerous anarchist, and an illiterate peasant valuable raw material. A knowledge of letters is no gauge as to the fitness or unfitness of an emigrant, considered simply as a useful cog in the complex machine of American civilization.

California is vitally interested in any immigration bill likely to be passed by the present Congress. The Panama Canal will bring hosts of emigrants from Southern Europe to our hospitable shores. Many of these will come from the peasant class of Italy, Spain and the south of France. More than likely some of them will be illiterate. But they will come from country districts where the olive, the fig, the grape and the citrus fruit have been cultivated for centuries by their sires and the sires before them. They will come to a new land where the olive, the fig, the grape and the citrus fruit will be cultivated for generations to come, filled with an inherited, inbred instinct for assisting in such work. As orchardist, vineyardist, agricultural workers—a class of labor with which the Californian market at present is woefully undersupplied—they will be valuable in the vast development of the great Southwest.

Very often, indeed, no education is a better gift than a half education. The man who cannot read or write may get a good start here at good wages, driving the cultivator or wielding the shovel. The ambitious laborer can find plenty of opportunity afterwards to become a sufficiently able writer and reader. After his industry has given him a stake in the new country and its interests his added literacy will make him a worthy citizen. The self-educated man is the backbone of America.

But a man who comes with that dangerous thing—a little knowledge—will likely enough drift into the city, to become perhaps a devourer of the "Appeal to Reason" and other such devastating literature. Later on to drift into the ranks of the I.W.O.'s and advocate, if not practice, open anarchy and bomb-throwing.

Our chief concern is to make sure that all our native-born children acquire a well-rounded and satisfactory knowledge of the three R's, and THE PRINCIPLES OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT, with a chance to specialize afterwards in any branch of learning for which they show a marked aptitude. Don't let us forget, however, that a spade-and-sill specialist is just as necessary to the welfare of the country as a lawyer, a doctor or a college professor. The best digging is done in mother earth.

Indeed in California a test as to his capacity for handling horses, milking cows and pruning fruit trees would be the best guide as to the fitness of an emigrant. We have plenty of citizens of our own who would not select pens and read books. In our vast rural domain large tracts of rich land are calling for the plow and the plowman; but many cities are running short of clerks and bookkeepers.

We admit the opening of the great canal calls for some revision and alteration in our emigration laws. To slough off the whole subject with a test for literacy only is slovenly statesmanship—a shirking of responsibility. We don't want loafers, we don't want anarchists, we don't want contented ignorance. But we do want the ambitious, the progressive, the sturdy-limbed from every quarter of the globe. Many of the best of these, through want of opportunity, may come here illiterate; we need them, that they may work for us and that we may be able to teach them. They were good home-workers; they had aspirations, else they had crossed no oceans; they came to California willing to toil that they may learn. Are we to shut our gates against them because they have been neglected, denied schooling facilities by their own countrymen? And are we at the same time to give a glad welcome only to those who have acquired enough learning to be dangerous? This is the only result of applying a literacy test.

THE WAY OF PEACE.
 Christmas week of 1912 seems to find the world bitterly at war with the first Christmas message and with the last of Christ's demands. Man is a piece of God who is far from the peace of God. The way of peace is the will of God, and men will have none of it. Peace passes understanding and therefore its price is beyond estimation. Peace is an awesome thing; it is back of the will which is a more awesome thing still. The will is before strength, love or wisdom and it is also after them. The guards are at the door and the door is locked. The will that projects man into the world and by which he is removed from the world is a veiled immensity. How appalling, then, is the trust of this creature with his fathomless capacity for becoming—this Man Thing with his heart of heaven or hell, his will to live, his will to love, his will to believe—how terrific is the trust with which he waits upon that which gives him his life and which takes it from him without his demand and without his approval! Man is not only broken upon the wheel, but upon a broken wheel and its spokes are the cross of existence. It can never be a cross of roses until the kingdom is come, and this may not be until the will of God is done on earth as it is in heaven.

The paradox is divine. A man must will to be what he will before he can hold his life in abeyance to the inscrutable will of what is before and after him. The price of peace is to yearn, to strive and to stay the hand the moment it might close upon the object of desire. In every garden of roses we may find the tree of life. The great philosophy is to look and not to eat. Pick the roses and they die in our hand. Pluck the fruit and it will perish. The thorns are on the rosebush as a warning. The thorns are not to protect the blossoms; they are there only to stay the unthinking hand. To be wantless is the last office of the will. Life is always asking the same question of all her conscious and even of

A Satisfactory Distance.



How "The Peerless One" was not knocked into the same. See! (Press Report.) "Wilson may name Bryan for the Philippines post."

her curious children. It is, What will you? Upon the answer always depends the creature's next step.

At the birth of Christ the angels sang of peace through good will. When He faced the storm at sea He restored the peace of the wild waters through His imposing will. He lived by the will of the Father, and when the cup might not pass from Him He died by it. This was peace, but the price was a crown of thorns and the anguish of the cross. It was peace, but the sun went under a cloud, the earth shook, and the graves gave up their dead. Yes, peace is awesome. Christ said that if lifted up He would draw all men unto Him, but as a race we have yet some distance to go before that prophecy is fulfilled. Our big steps are taken as a race, and the will of God shall be done. We are not at peace, but we are not complacent. Our restlessness is constructive. As children approach maturity they experience growing pains. Much of man's present skepticism, his spiritual confusion and his perplexed optimism are only growing pains. In the end the world will find what it has sought from the beginning, and that is the peace of God.

A DIVINE RIGHT CORPORATION.
 The reason why the Big Bull Moose while he was President favored the harvester trust came to light through the progress of the government's suit to dissolve the company under the Sherman law. A letter written shortly after the organization of the International Harvester Company in 1902 was introduced, in which Mr. Perkins's company claimed a "divine right" to monopolize all the harvester business of the universe. The letter, after setting forth that the combination was "in harmony with the Divine plan" continued as follows:

"We believe that in the near future this great company will do practically all the harvester business of the world, for the company is wisely organized, and it is going to be and is managed on a broad-gauged, unselfish principle. It is going to sell its goods for reasonable prices and deal justly with all men, employees, agents and farmers, and that sort of treatment and operations will succeed everywhere."

No wonder that the colonel, who preaches righteousness so incessantly and whose deep religious convictions led him to "throw his hat into the ring" and "stand pat" and welcome John L. Sullivan and Bat Masterson to the White House, was so impressed with the Divine right of Mr. Perkins's company that he exempted it from prosecution.

Whether its "Divine right" will save it now remains to be seen.

CONSULTING CANADA.
 Canadian statesmen of both parties who have visited the mother land have not hesitated to say that the British Empire has outgrown its existing conditions and needs, as Kipling said at the time of the Boer War, the help of "men who can shoot and ride"—meaning thereby Canadians and Australians.

Canada desires to emerge from the nursery and short skirts. She wishes to be considered a "grown-up." She wishes to discard a bread-and-milk diet and demands a seat at the family table with an adult allowance of beef and beer.

Canada considers herself quite competent to discuss imperial policies and to participate in the deliberations and determinations of the Imperial Parliament. She says to the mother country, "Here, ma, are three dreadnoughts, or the money with which to build them, and one or two more every year, if you want them. We attach no strings to the loyal gift but one. We want a square deal. We want a rebirth of this old empire. We honor William the Conqueror, and respect both the Stuarts and Cromwell, and while privately we consider George the Third an ass for losing the American colonies, we won't say so. "But let us have no more nonsense about not consulting us. If you and Germany, or France, or Russia get into a war about the Balkans, our Montreal and our Quebec and our St. Johns and our Victoria will have to be defended and we will be called upon for men and money. You shall have both, of course, if you get into trouble, old

girl, Canada will be Johnny-on-the-spot to help whip your adversary. But we want to be consulted about going into a fight. We don't care a whoop whether Bulgaria or Turkey holds Adrianople, or Constantinople, or any other old ope east of the Adriatic, and it is a matter of sublime indifference to us whether the Rothschilds lose or make money on the Turkish bonds they hold. We want to have a voice in deciding whether the British Empire shall singe her jaw pulling somebody else's chestnuts out of the fire. You can have our cash to the last cent for the defense of the empire, but if we help pay for the dinner we have a right to help compose the menu."

Premier Asquith has declared that "imperial relations would be thrown into chaos if it were necessary to consult the various dominions on imperial matters." Canada replies that her statesmen know all that Asquith knows, and know what they know besides; that Canadians will crowd to the recruiting offices to fight for the British flag, when cockneys will crowd away from them; that, since Canada must, in the event of a war, dance, help pay the piper, Canada desires to be consulted in the make-up of the dance programme.

"THE JOLLY PALIBEARERS."
 To the majority, whether present or only possible future mourners, the "Jolly Palibearers Club" of Winston, Mo., will appear very inappropriately named; seeing that—however philosophically we may take the notion of inevitable death—very few of us connect it with any idea of jollity. It might be rational to sing and dance at funerals, for the sake of showing our altruistic joy at the entrance of a loved one into the halls of endless bliss. Love, when it becomes so unearthly as this, ceases to be altogether convincing. Even those who believe in heaven seldom care to be congratulated on their near arrival at the pearly gates. We, though we are endowed with superabundant faith, cannot really rejoice in a separation, promising at the best a far-away and mystical reunion. Our loss is sure, the reward of the loved one sometimes doubtful. To dance at the funeral of the departed friend is but a cynical confession of faith in a better life to come.

When a ship sets sail from an earthly port, to sail a limited mundane ocean, we eyes generally accompany the waving handkerchiefs; how can we rejoice honestly when a loved soul is borne away over the unlimited seas of an uncharted eternity? Such an organization as the Jolly Palibearers Club portrays a desperate rather than a joyous spirit. The only excuse to offer for funeral dances is that at least they are preferable to hypocritical grief. Such grief was once lampooned by an unknown poet with a cynical soul and sour stomach.

Tears, loving tears, have started
 To every eye; be still!
 For we are broken-hearted,
 We miss the dear departed,
 Heaven help us! Where's his will?
 What, nothing! Not a penny!
 How wicked! Hush, you see
 He turns up well for many;
 Who cares? I've not got any—
 Ah who? well R. I. P.

WHY FRET?
 [American Magazine:] Are the trains too slow for you? Caesar, with all of his court, never exceeded the speed limit. Are your wages too small? In Europe people are content with making a living. Are the lights too dim? David wrote his psalms by the light of a smoky torch. Are you ugly? Cleopatra, though homely, bewitched two emperors. Are you cold? The soldiers of Valley Forge walked barefoot on the ice and snow. Are you hungry? The children of India are starving for want of a crust of bread. Are you tired? Why fret about it? Jacob was tired when he dreamed of the angels of heaven. Are you sick? Suppose you had lived 2000 years ago, when sickness was fatal? Are you poor? The Savior of men was not wealthy. Cheer up! Praise God that you live in the midst of His blessings.

Why fret?
 The old-fashioned woman who put her money in her stocking had the first national bank.

WOMEN AND WAR.

BY ALMA WHITAKER.

The Chief Rabbi of New York has just pronounced that delightful old opinion that, if the final word rested with women, there would be no more war.

Which is very fine of the Chief Rabbi, and I am sure women in general will appreciate his eminently proper view. But I am afraid we shall likewise exchange a tolerant little wink behind his back. It is not necessary to set him right, of course. Faith is one of the sublime things that should never be tampered with.

But, as a matter of fact, most women really like a little blood. Here in America, where the women have been trying so conscientiously to live up to their man-endowed character of gentleness, nobility, high morality and lofty principles, this taste for blood has to be indulged through surreptitious channels, like surgical operations; but in all ordinary countries where we are just accepted as plain women, we stand out in all our gory shame. In Spain the bullfights are patronized more largely by women than men; aviation meetings everywhere see women in thousands; the French revolution, with all its pretty blood-letting, was supported largely by women; witches have been burnt at the stake entirely through the insistence of women; in all riots women are ever the chief instigators of massacre; the anarchists and nihilists are dominated by women; and the bloodiest reigns in history have been those of queens.

Almost any of us could name a few women who shudder at the thought of war, or blood of any kind, but if it comes to that, I know quite as many men to whom the sight of blood is intolerable. Women don't go to prize fights in this country because men have decreed that they are too fastidious for any such painful exhibition, and when papa assures us we are nice little girls we try not to disappoint him. There was no such absurd distinction in the old civilizations, and from all accounts women outnumbered men in witnessing the gorgeous spectacle of a few craven Christians being gnawed alive by hungry lions.

When hanging was a public exhibition in England the women flocked in thousands to witness the exciting scenes. When operations are to be performed in hospitals women assist with calm interest. And, talking of surgical operations, American women positively doze on them for themselves. Nothing appears to give them so much pleasure as a really gory operation. They will enter the hospital light-heartedly with an odd sense of morbid satisfaction; and when it is over they will give you the whole details with a relish that is alarming and persistent.

As for war, the average woman loves it. Not in the jubilant sense, of course, but in the same way that she goes to a moving melodrama and weeps copiously throughout the performance and considers the evening well spent. We women just love to have our feelings tortured, our emotions jagged, our senses shocked. Benign genius has been forced upon us to satisfy man's ideals, but in the raw state we are as bloodthirsty as the rest of 'em.

And it is a good thing we are, messieurs. If we were really the soft, tender creatures you would have us, we could never survive the ordeal of living. Life would be a succession of horrors that would send us all into lunatic asylums in our childhood. It is well that we can face blood, the least of life's horrors, without flinching and with a subtle sense of exaltation. Blood-letting is wholesome, strong, virile. The reason women have always idolized the warrior is not so much on account of his glory as on account of his wounds. He has suffered, endured and overcome pain and we show to our very best advantage when ministering to his hurt. The sweet young thing that faints at the sight of blood is a useless sort of creature for a brave man's wife. She should be careful to marry a sissy who will take care to never get hurt.

Little girls will swap candy for a peep at a sore place, just the same as little boys. And English suffragettes will get first to theaters and end up by dynamiting the houses of Parliament just as male political agitators have done before them. When the Boer War broke out women ached to join in the fray, and brothers, husbands, fathers and sons were sent out, almost at the point of the needle. We longed to be in the thick of it, and when the various hospital ships were chartered they could have been manned—I mean womaned—hundreds of times over, so many of us volunteered.

I was in the Jameson raid myself and I have the best of reasons for knowing that the women never lifted a hand to prevent that, although they had it in their power. On the contrary, the women met together and decided to take all risks, to urge on the attempt in every way and to stand or fall by the fortunes of war. And it must be admitted that the Jameson raid had not even the excuse of a noble cause, the most trifling of supposed political disabilities was the solid excuse for that piece of wild folly. But we revelled in it and nothing was so horrid as the fact that we were all merely taken prisoners, with no bloodshed worth mentioning.

Just you wait, Monsieur le Rabbi, until Japan threatens the United States or some other passable excuse for war crops up. See the sweet American women shed her gentility, see her march triumphantly in her thousands, see her push her peace-loving men folk to the front, see her tell "business" and "arbitration" and all the other civilized deterrents to go hang, and see her proudly bind up your wounds, the while you dare not weep for very shame.

UNCLE WALT.

The Post Philosopher.

The champion went forth to war, and of his foe remarked: "He'll get what he's not looking for; he'll have his cranium barked. I never was so fit before; I'm sound in wind and limb, and I could whip a gross or more of effigies like him. He is a youth of plenteous gall, and I have stood his seas, but now I'll show, for once and all, I'm monarch of my class." The fight began; with raucous shriek the foe assailed the champion, and biffed him roundly on the back and smote him in the lamp. The champion was battered forth and back, and back and forth again, and every time he gave a whack he took in eight or ten; the foe man still kept drilling in with lusty battle shout; he hit the champion upon the chin, and put him down and out. And in the bath-house, later on, the champion woke and said: "Oh, I was sick, so help me John! I should have been in bed!" Oh, I would give a Christmas goose to find a beaten champion who frames no silly, cheap excuse, to pass around the camp. I'd give a turkey and a pie to find one who'd say: "The foe was better far than I—he fairly won today!"

WALT MASON.

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Pen Points: By the Staff.

The latest war cry is Atlanta for the Albanians. But, by the way, what is an Albanian?

If the proposed Christmas turkey is as large for your oven as not with a very neighbor?

For reasons unnecessary to give the G.O.P. will indulge in no Christmas festivities this year.

Is the Indian sign on the local Quaker? The rush of divorces granted would seem to indicate as much.

The Los Angeles Democrat who has been "been suggested" for a place in the cabinet cannot amount to a great deal.

Turkeys will not be served by Hammett this year to his boarders, but the devilment the turkey is not a jailbird.

"Sing," says Madam Calve, "and my fife will vanish." But in that case my fife will become of the innocent bystander.

There are but few old-fashioned meat dealers in Los Angeles who have a piece of meat for the cat with an order to a steak.

A highbrow professor says that women ought to use psychology in the practice of millinery. More psychology and no money?

With so many California communities going dry the Prohibition minus the law to have a great run. But it is not so satisfying.

Our reports from the fashion editors dictate that the low-and-behold style of gown is all the rage this winter in the fashionable circles.

There is some talk of reviving skating in this country. In that case it will be absolutely necessary to revise the laws for skirts.

Prof. Brooks of Geneva discovered comet at 4 o'clock the other morning. It is a reason why married men never cover comets.

If the one-term idea is to prevent a not make it two instead of four years, that case the Presidential house will be passed around.

Between his periodic attacks of ennui the pestiferous office seeker, Wilson will be put to his trumpet to pleasant all of the time.

The winter styles are showing and the row skirts for the ladies that were times wonder how they prevent the haggard at the knee.

The ice-making season is on a high and the dealers are preparing to meet price next summer because the demand is too big to handle cheaply.

This is the time of year when the goes broke and is glad of the alibi to do so. All that worried him sometimes he hasn't the money.

The grandson of John D. Rockefeller hopes to become a pitcher for the club. But the old gentleman would see him in the role of umpire.

"King Solomon's Mine," the Julian Hawthorne, the author of the unspectacular who had been in a Canadian hole in the ground.

Don't hear much of the during the recent campaign, Lincoln, just now. The better there never was but out of the.

It is proposed to build a way to commemorate the battle of Gettysburg. What is there in this will last as long as the memory of Lincoln?

The English suffragettes are enjoining to throw bombs at the House of Commons. If they are no better at the average woman throwing an egg than the officials are safe.

The German Imperial Government unwittingly paid a high price for cigars by reviving the old custom of marrying of foreign-born women to native diplomats. But or the need such "protection?"

Remember the rag doll used to have for a head how glad the kiddies were. The bundle of pieces was the balance of a doll brought home than the present-day doll.

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WHEN GREEK MET GREEK.

Billy Nolan and Tom Jones Come Together.

Two Great Fight Managers in Word Duel.

Ad Wolgast's Extraordinary Offer to Ritchie.

BY HARRY A. WILLIAMS.

Willie Ritchie will fight when he gets ready; not before. He is doing less worrying than any other inhabitant of the lightweight division. He finds the title profitable, and Wolgast, Rivers, McFarland, Mandot and the rest will have to await his pleasure.

Billy Nolan made this much clear yesterday. The lightweight champion will exercise the prerogative of every new title holder and reap the harvest of easy money that is part of his legitimate reward before jeopardizing his laurels in a bona fide championship battle. It is not likely that he will defend his title before July 4, and Nolan gives no assurance that Wolgast will be his opponent on that date. With a tempting array of theatrical contracts awaiting his approval, it will take a most alluring offer to tempt him into the ring prior to the glacial Fourth.

This became evident yesterday when Jones submitted to Nolan one of the most remarkable propositions ever shown in the face of a champion. Jones offered to make Ritchie a present of \$1000 the moment that he signed articles for a return fight with Wolgast, to post \$500 to bind the match, this to go as a bet against \$2500 of Nolan's money, and to top this with a \$20,000 bet on Wolgast at even money.

Nolan declined, and referred Jones to his original offer to bet \$25,000 to \$12,500 that Wolgast can beat Ritchie. Jones retorted with the assertion that this was accompanied by the demand for Ritchie to sign within ten days for a return fight inside of ninety days.

REMARKABLE OFFER.

Both of the offers are sensational in the extreme. Heretofore, champions have been made the favorite, 2 to 1 on the challenger is without precedent.

Nolan and Jones met unexpectedly. No conference between them had been planned. It was a "verbal head-on collision." Willie Ritchie had just completed the first of three acts which he is to give at the Empress Theater daily, and Nolan was preparing to leave the place.

Just before reaching the street Nolan was flayed by a newspaper man. They had hardly started talking when Tom Jones, stooping south on Spring street, swerved defiantly into the lobby. Jones and Nolan met face to face.

In about fifteen seconds the spot where they stood became the light center of the world. They greeted each other cordially. But it didn't take them long to get to their high speed.

Jones, as usual, was aggressive. There was a friendly "Howdy" on both sides, and Jones began hurling challenges with both hands. Nolan, passive and analytical, countered in a safe, sane and conservative manner, ever and anon referring Jones to his original offer.

In another column are the pyrotechnics which were released when they found themselves chin to chin.

A GREAT TEAM.

I am beginning to think that Jones and Nolan are fully as interesting as Wolgast and Ritchie.

Undoubtedly two of the shrewdest managers in the world, they are as widely separated in appearance, tem-

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NEW YORK COMMISSION EXCEEDED AUTHORITY.

The New Scale, if Adopted, Will Cause Consternation Among Present-Day Champions, from Bantams Up. No Championships Decided in New York and No Decisions Awarded in Ten-Round Bouts Staged There.

BY DE WITT VAN COTT.

WHEN the New York Boxing Commission came out with the statement that they had changed the weights of professional boxers, they surely started something that they will have a hard time to get away with.

While we have said before, we have all along been in favor of a universal scale of weights in the boxing game, we have been strong for the original weights set down by the Marquis of Queensberry ruler. The National Sporting Club of London took it upon itself to try and

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Willie Ritchie Coaches Orchestra Leader, Edwin Michaels, As to the incidental music of his act during the rehearsal yesterday morning at the Empress Theater.

JONES AND NOLAN SAID:

TOM JONES and Billy Nolan met by accident in front of the Empress Theater just after Ritchie concluded his vaudeville stunt.

Following was their conversation, literally reported:

Nolan (shaking hands with Jones): We were just talking fight.

Jones: That interests me. Let's go on talking fight. Talk fight with me.

Nolan: Well, Tom, we are willing to talk fight with you. Wolgast can have a fight any time you like. We are willing to accept the terms you made us.

Jones: All right, I'll give you \$1000 when you sign the articles. Then I'll bet you \$5000 to \$2500. We are willing to let the fight go to any promoter. You can get whatever you can from him and we will take whatever is left after you are paid.

Nolan: Oh, no, Tom. You said you would bet us \$25,000 to \$12,500. We prefer to accept that offer.

Jones: Yes, but I said when I made you that offer that you must sign articles within ten days and fight within ninety days. You didn't do that.

Nolan: What's the matter with those terms now? What conditions are different? Why have you changed your offer?

Jones (flushing): Well, it might be financial conditions.

Nolan: Well, we will accept your original offer, the one that was sent all over the country to the newspapers.

Jones: But you didn't accept it. The time for accepting it has gone by.

Nolan: I don't remember it that way.

Jones (reaching for his roll): I'll bet you a hundred dollars that I said you must sign in ten days to get those terms.

Nolan: Oh, no, Tom. I know you have a hundred dollars. You needn't show your money. I have been in this business as long as you have. You know we couldn't prove what was said.

Jones: There were two newspaper men there. I am willing to leave it to them. Ask them if I didn't say it was for ten days.

Nolan: You know these terms were sent all over the country and sent out by the Associated Press. They didn't say the offer was limited to ten days.

Jones: Well, of course I don't know what YOU may have sent out.

Nolan: Oh, well, it takes two to send things out, Tom.

Jones: Well, I am willing to leave it to the two newspaper men if those terms were not as I have given them.

Nolan: And I am willing to leave it to all the newspaper men of the country who published the story. No, Tom, we will hold you to your word.

Jones: I will give you \$5000 if you will show me where I ever broke it.

Nolan (getting ready to shoulder through the crowd): You have offered to bet us \$25,000 to \$12,500. We accept. Let us know when you are ready to fight.

Jones: All right, I'll bet you. I will put up \$1000 as a bonus to get your signature. Then I'll bet of my own money \$5000 to \$2500. I've got a certified check right here in my pocket. Then I'll bet you \$20,000 at the prevailing odds before the fight.

[At this point Nolan was called away to the long distance telephone. While he was away, Jones said to his companions:]

Jones: I am not going to throw any dirt. This is just a quiet gentlemanly talk. We are talking business. I will put up \$1000 cash to Ritchie as a present if he will sign the articles. I will bet \$5000 to \$2500 of my own money and I will bet \$20,000 at the prevailing odds—no, I'll do better than that; I will bet him \$20,000 at even money.

[Nolan then rejoined the crowd. He was buttoning up his overcoat as though weary of the topic. Ritchie was walking by his side.]

Nolan: Well, Tom, I will only say again that we are prepared to accept your own offer that you sent broadcast all over the United States, to bet us \$25,000 to \$12,500.

Jones: But that offer was only good for ten days as you very well know. Nolan: Oh, that's a mere technicality, Tom.

Jones: Well, you'll be glad to seize all the technicalities you can to get away from another match with Wolgast.

[At this point Nolan went away with Ritchie to the hotel.]

Ad Wolgast, having missed the dialogue, inquired with interest as to what was said.

"Well," he said, "I am not going to chase around after him. I guess there will never be another fight between us. By the time next July comes, there may not be any Willie Ritchie to fight. Some one else may have got him."

In Final Game.

TROJAN-L.A.A.C. BATTLE PROMISES FAST RUGBY.

BY OWEN R. BIRD.

THE football season of 1912 will close tomorrow afternoon on the field when U.S.C. Trojans meet the Rugby warriors of Los Angeles Athletic Club, in what promises to be one of the best exhibitions of the English sport of the season. The game should be a fitting wind up to one of the greatest gridiron seasons in the history of Southern California.

The teams are evenly matched, in splendid condition and keyed up to a keen fighting edge, as there is a very marked rivalry between the two squads and their supporters.

This will be the first big match for the club team and its members are anxious to make the initial game of the season a victory. On the other hand, the Trojans have put up some thrilling battles this season, but have yet to win a match game. Now the men are determined to turn the tide and end the season with a victory. This was the case last year, only the Olympic Club was made to taste the bitterness of defeat at the hands of the U.S.C. men in the final game of the schedule.

TEAMS IN CONDITION.

Manning's men have not been in a competitive scrimmage since the Thanksgiving Day game and the rest seems to have done the team a world of good. There was a trace of staleness after this game, but two weeks has gone away with every sign of this bug bear of coaches and the famous old war horses should go on the field in a bunch of fiddlers. The clubmen have played a number of preliminary games this season and have given evidences of class on each occasion. Now for the past three weeks the whole squad has been in strict training, so there need be no fear that the Trojans will be facing a combination of "hasbeens" out of condition, and only playing on past reputations. In fact, nearly all the club players have just come out of active service, either at one of the northern universities or one of the local high school teams.

The U.S.C. team has been so long before the public that little can be said about the members of the Methodist machine that is not already known, but the make-up of the L.A.A.C. squad is not generally known, nor is the caliber of the team fully understood by the fans.

CLUBMEN VETERANS.

Every position on the club team is filled by a man who has had experience on either a varsity or a club team, and so there will be no novices in the game. The back field will be made up almost entirely of Stanford varsity men, and if their work so far this fall can be taken as any criterion the exhibition Christmas afternoon should bring out some fast, open Rugby of the sort that makes the game worth watching. In the scrum the veterans are not so thick, but there is enough to give the Trojan "ran" a stiff argument.

The varsity men among the forwards are: Zull, California freshman, 1913; Pitting, Stanford varsity, 1908 and 1909 (Fitting was also

chosen for the All-American team in 1910 which made the trip to Australia that year. John Sweeney, Victoria and San Francisco Olympic Club; Jim Reynolds, Stanford varsity, 1904; Ed. Stanford freshman, 1913; Walter, former Australian player, and Lee Boyle and Pitting are the men who complete the scrum list. Boyle is a product of the club, while Pitting played with L. A. High last season and made the all-star team at break-away.

CLUB STARS IN BACK FIELD.

According to form the back field offers the stars. Tilton and Berryman, the two men who will have a chance at half-back, are old college players. Berryman played with U.S.C. and Tilton worked with the Stanford freshman on the 1914 team. The next three men in the back line should produce a bucket of thrills before time is called. Mow Mitchell, at first five, played with Stanford four seasons with the varsity and was the captain of the team once. He probably knows as much Rugby as any man in the West today and, better than this, knows how to use his knowledge on the field of play.

SPEEDY WINGS.

At second five, yep and Phil Harrison, who was a sensation on the Stanford varsity for three seasons. This year he was said to be the best second five in the State and would have been elected captain of the 1914 varsity had he remained in the university. At center three, Stan Mitchell will be given a chance to show his famous entire running. He played with the Stanford varsity in 1909 and 1910. Stan is probably the best open field runner in the game today, as he seems to have lost none of the cunning that made him feared in northern circles two years ago.

MUCH DOPE ON MANY FIGHTERS.

Large Offer Made for Briton-McFarland Match.

Papke Doesn't Worry Over Commission's Doings.

Indiana Town Takes Place on Fight Map.

(BY WIRELESS LINE TO THE TIMES.)
CHICAGO, BUREAU OF THE TIMES, Dec. 23.—(Special Dispatch.) Paddy McFarland, through his manager, Emil Thierly, today received an offer of \$50,000 for the gross receipts or a guarantee of \$5000 from Promoter Gibson of New York for a fight with Jack Britton in Gotham in February.

Thierly insists that McFarland is "the biggest card in the country now" and is holding out for \$50,000, with a guarantee of \$7000. Indications, however, are that an agreement will be reached during the week and that articles for the fight will be signed.

THE BIG CARD.
"Since Ad Wolgast's defeat," said Manager Thierly, "there is not a man in the country who can draw anywhere near the attendance Paddy attracts."

The McFarland-Britton card is the best that could be offered excepting a McFarland-Ritchie battle. Billy Nolan is not going to take a chance and he is not in a position to dictate to Ritchie's behalf the way he dictated to poor Joe Gans and Bat Nelson. I am willing to have Paddy do 125 pounds for Ritchie but I am not going to accede to any freak demands. Ritchie is a 125-pounder now and he will make most of his future fights at that figure. If he doesn't give Paddy a fight, then it clearly will be seen who is the real lightweight champion," are Thierly's words.

PAPKE BUTS PRESENTS.
Billy Papke, who French and European authorities call the king of middleweights, who passed the day with his family buying Christmas presents in Chicago and returned to Kenosha, Ill., tonight, says he came home to rest.

He will not engage in any fights in this country for some time at least. As one hand is sore, he intends to rest until his fight with Frank Klaus in Paris.

Papke did not bring the belt given him abroad, but left it on exhibition. He says there is plenty of money in France for fighters. Otherwise, he says, he would not go back.

HOME TO REST.
"I came home to rest," said he.

Developing the Champion.

SOLDIER KEARNS GOING INTO IMPORTANT BOUT.

BY ROBERT EDGREN.

(BY WIRELESS LINE TO THE TIMES.)

NEW YORK BUREAU OF THE TIMES, Dec. 23.—(Special Dispatch.) Soldier Kearns is not going to be left long without action. In stacking up against Jess Willard at Madison Square Garden next Friday night, he will be going into a scrap fully as important in the selection of a new heavyweight champion as that Palsker-McCarthy affair on the Coast.

Kearns is a magnificent shaker with a wicked wallop and a fifty yard handling. He is 5 ft. 10 in. tall. But Willard is 6 ft. 6 in. tall. He weighs 220 pounds to the soldier's 200.

Although the slim giant is almost a novice, so far as ring experience is concerned, he is a dangerous heavyweight. He gave McCarthy a beautiful trimming just before Luther went West.

Probably either Kearns or Willard will go to California to meet the winner of the McCarthy-Palsker bout.

Some elimination tournament that will be the demand for a white heavyweight champion has brought out a number of very likely heavyweights. This disproves the theory that the heavyweight fighters are disappearing from the earth. We have just as good material as existed in the days of Piusmonna, Jaffrey, and that great old bunch. All we have needed was the demand for heavyweights to bring it out.

In the Tank.

WATER SOCCER LATEST THING IN SPORT LINE.

AMERICAN water polo is a sport which has probably passed into a limbo of the past. The Amateur Athletic Union, growing weary of the endless squabbles of the past few years, has dropped water polo and as a substitute taken up water soccer. Soccer has much to recommend it. Essentially a swimming game, it places speed, endurance and watermanship at a premium, discounting weight and brute strength. But it is no sport for weaklings.

Players are kept constantly on the move, dashing back and forth all the time, and unless provided with plenty of stamina, and in the best condition, they are not likely to last out the two halves, especially as the dashes have to be interspersed with passes and hard throws which sap up energy at an alarming rate.

Matches are played between two teams of seven, divided into an attacking line of three forwards, a defensive line of three backs, and one goal tender. Points are scored by throwing a leather ball similar to the regulation basketball, through the rival goal, a space of ten feet wide and three feet high, marked at each end of the playing area by upright posts and a cross bar. Two seven-minute periods, with an intermission of five minutes between, constitute time of play.

The start is made by lining up the

and I will not accept any fight offered even if New York does raise the ban against me. I should worry about what the New York Boxing Commission does. What concerns me most is my battle with Klaus. I will take on the winner of the Carpenter-Moreau fight at Monte Carlo, for which I shall get \$7500, win, lose or draw.

New York never did have much money for fighters, you know. I can fight every night in France, England, Germany or Belgium and draw down pretty fair prices."

HOW ABOUT MCGOORTHY?

Papke seems to be in good condition. "How about a fight with Eddie McGoorthy?" he was asked.

"Wait. Just wait until I have finished with the fighters on the other side."

Must Make Weight.

McGoorthy, however, laughs at Papke's claims. "I'll fight 'em, all of 'em," McGoorthy said, "but they must make weight. It is 145 pounds. Oh, I'm taking no chances."

K.O. Brown, who hopes to get a match with McGoorthy, is training at the manager's gym with Jack White, also of Kate Lewis's stable. White hopes to get a battle with the winner of the Tommy Dixon-Tommy Brennan match at Omaha.

Replaces Kenosha.

Gary, Ind., is to take the place of Kenosha, Wis., on the fight map. They have lifted the lid in the little Bloomer town, four of Gary's lesser citizens having organized what is to be known as the Calumet Athletic Club.

They have obtained a desirable spot on the outskirts of the town, and plan to accommodate at least 3000 persons.

The sheriff and Chief of Police are said to have given their consent to the staging of fights, and arrangements are to be made to run special trains to and from Chicago.

The promoters have not forgotten what Gov. Marshall did when the Forster (Ind.) racetrack was opened, but they figure the Executive is too busy preparing to assume his duties as Vice-President of the United States to pay attention to the fight club.

Unbeaten and Goodman Next.

Rudy Unbeaten and Danny Goodman may be matched for a fight at Gary on New Year's Day.

The heavyweight industry is booming in Chicago. Mark Shaughnessy, former globe-trotter and a boxing promoter, demands recognition from the fight world for Jack Leon, now that Joe Willard has been matched to fight the Russian giant.

Started in Russia.

Unlike Willard, who started his career under the watchful eye of Charlie Cutler, Leon learned the rudiments of the fight game in Russia. Mark says Al Kaufman and others have started clear of Jack.

"He is only 24," said Mark, "and he can hit like a murderer, has the height and reach. I expect to take him to the Coast to solve the heavyweight puzzle."



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When Greek Met Greek.

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perament and procedure as the two poles. They presented a vivid contrast. It was the John W. Gates and the John D. Rockefeller of the Queensberry world. Jones, stocky, broad and belligerent, his ample front plentifully sprinkled with diamonds, epitomized the plunger. He was the sporting ideal of popular fancy.

Nolan, almost ecclesiastical in dress, quiet and soft-spoken, is the antithesis of Jones.

In appearance he is wholly out of tune with the ring. Not knowing him, I would take it for granted that he taught in a bible class on Sunday and led the midweek prayer-meeting on Wednesday night.

Shrewd and sagacious, Nolan is one of the mysteries of the fighting game. One thing is certain. Ritchie, with Nolan on the job, will not fight until it suits his convenience.

NOLAN AFTER COIN.
Nolan is after the money, and is honest enough not to attempt to disguise the fact.

He does not know when Ritchie will defend his title. It all depends on the attractiveness of the offer. Ritchie cannot reasonably be expected to defend his title prior to July 4. Jones and Wolgast both have an attitude. They are not inclined to rush Ritchie, but they would like to arrange a match for that date.

We have twelve weeks more with the Sullivan & Considine circuit," said Nolan, "and the same people want us for an additional twelve weeks in the East and in Canada. In addition to this, we have two attractive theatrical offers from other syndicates. This means that we probably will be on the stage for several months."

"In the meantime, if Wolgast can get some responsible promoter to offer sufficient inducements for a match between the two, we will accommodate him at some date to be set later, possibly July 4. Wolgast is entitled

to a chance at the title. We are free to admit that. But we will not admit that he is entitled to the first chance. It is almost impossible to hit him until he opens up. My hands were numb for two weeks after the fight from hammering him on the head."

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OLD MAN VAN COURT TAUGHT BIG JIM HOW.
"And you don't know where Jim Jeffries got to know how to use his left hand?" asked an old fighter.

"Well, I'll tell you. He learned how from old man Van Court. That sounds funny, don't it, but it's the truth."

"Why, when Jeff fought Bob Armstrong years ago, it was a joke," to watch Jeff try to spar. Sometime after that fight, Van Court got hold of Jeff and taught him how to use that left hand and you know what Jeff did to a lot of fellows with that left.

Any time he hit some fellow with it, the blow counted and it was all Van Court and Jeff will probably say so if you ask him."

rounds. When it comes, I try to make sure of my man.

"What do I think of Wolgast? He is about as tough as they make them. It is almost impossible to hit him until he opens up. My hands were numb for two weeks after the fight from hammering him on the head."

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—P.S.—
(Plenty Soot!) GALE

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The new scale will place things in exactly the same position as they were before the change was made.

Every fighter in this, or any other country, that can make the old weight will be stronger against any change, and those that have a hard time in coming at the present weight will favor the change.

The change will bring out the same old story. Any champion that comes along in the future, will try and raise the weight if it suits his chances best.

The new scale, if adopted, will cause a consternation among many of the present-day champions, from the bantam up. Take Johnny Coulson, for instance. The new weight calls for 135 pounds, in his class. The original weight was 125 pounds. They are now boxing at 115. Coulson seldom weighs over 115, when he enters the ring and could easily make 105, the new limit.

At 115, it means a catch weight for him, which is always the best for any boxer.

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WHERE DO THEY GET THE NOISE?

Can't Figure How Moran and Driscoll Get In.

Both Men Good Boxers, but Are Not Champions.

Kilbane Is Champion, Claim Fans of New York.

(BY WIRELESS LINE TO THE TIMES.) NEW YORK BUREAU OF THE TIMES, Dec. 22.—[Special Dispatch.] New York fight fans want to know where do Owen Moran and Jerry Driscoll come in to do battle for the featherweight championship of the world. Cable advises they are to meet at the London Sporting Club on January 27 to decide where the title shall go.

Driscoll, it is said, holds that he is champion because he was awarded the popular decision in a decision bout in this city with Abe Attell several years ago.

Driscoll outpointed Attell at that time. He won by a good safe margin on points, but the bout was far from being a championship affair, in the first place, the referee was not empowered to give a verdict.

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MODERN FOOTBALL.

Pat Higgins Believes Australian Style Would Become Quite Popular in this Country.

"They have a new football game over in Australia that no one ever saw here," says Pat Higgins, "and I think it might become popular here. They have been playing it for ten years or more in Melbourne and the south of Australia."

"They have something there like the National League here in baseball and buy and sell players for all of these are professionals."

"There are eighteen players on a side and they can advance the ball anyway, either by hitting, kicking or knocking it as they do in basketball. I think it is a combination of three or four different styles. A man can get the ball and run with it, but when he does he must bounce it on the ground every five yards. The rules of the game are very simple and anyone can learn them. There is no offense or on-side business and a guy can do pretty near anything he wants to."

"A goal counts five points and if you get the ball behind the goal it counts one point. The game is a fine one and I expect to see it introduced here some time, for there is a lot of sport in it, and as so many can play it there is much excitement in it."

FIGHT WITH NELSON WEAKENED JOE GANS.

"And they talk about not changing the weights, do they?" asked Billy Hart.

"Why, Jack McAuliffe beat Dick Burge for the lightweight title at 125 pounds, and Max retired shortly after that. Kid Lavigne won the title at 125 pounds, and Ernie beat Lavigne for it at 125 pounds. Then Gans came along and won the honor at 125 pounds."

"Billy Nelson was the one who fixed the weight at 125 pounds and he made Gans get down to the weight when he fought Nelson at Goldfield. That was what weakened Gans, and I guess he really resented it in his death."

"I don't know what reason was that Gans was broke and needed not only the fight but the money. As a matter of fact, Nelson made him make the weight with his clothes on, and you can guess what that meant for a tall fellow like Gans."

GEORGE STOVALL WANTED PETE DALEY.

"I'm not going back East until March 1," remarked George Stovall, "and then I'm going right to Waco, Tex., where the St. Louis Americans train. I've got my business all fixed up so I will not have to show in St. Louis until the playing season opens, which will give me a chance to stay here in the sun."

"I wanted Pete Dailey for my out-fight and I thought I had a chance to field him from Barry, but then sold him to Philadelphia. I've got three good ones from the Coast League, however, and I guess I shouldn't kick. I think we will have a real team in St. Louis next year and if everything should not turn out right, I may buy some more players from the Coast League. I've got Levens, Agnew and that Oakland outfielder, and they will help some."

NO RUBBING NOW FOR PATTERSON.

"Feeling fine now," said Patterson yesterday. "Don't need any rubbing, even. Never wanted any of that stuff, anyway. All the time I was ever on a rubbing table you could count on your eyeballs, unless I was hurt."

"By the way, this rubbing stunt makes me think of Kilroy, a pitcher from here all right, which is a good fellow all right, but he had to be rubbed so much that he rubbed himself out of the league. He was always on the rubbing table."

ENGLISH BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

The championship English billiard tournament in progress at the Majestic Billiard Parlor, was interrupted by the Packet billiard tournament last week, the players desiring to witness play in the large event.

The standing of competitors follows:

Player	Wins	Losses	Breaks
Dr. G. Harwood	2	1	28
R. C. Harwood	2	1	28
C. Harwood	2	1	28
E. Harwood	2	1	28
F. Harwood	2	1	28
G. Harwood	2	1	28
H. Harwood	2	1	28
I. Harwood	2	1	28
J. Harwood	2	1	28
K. Harwood	2	1	28
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O. Harwood	2	1	28
P. Harwood	2	1	28
Q. Harwood	2	1	28
R. Harwood	2	1	28
S. Harwood	2	1	28
T. Harwood	2	1	28
U. Harwood	2	1	28
V. Harwood	2	1	28
W. Harwood	2	1	28
X. Harwood	2	1	28
Y. Harwood	2	1	28
Z. Harwood	2	1	28

LOOKS LIKE VENICE.

"I guess the Vernon team goes to Venice next year," said a well-known member of the club yesterday. "But of course, I may be a poor guesser. It's a club that we will train away from here all right, which is the best plan. Any time a team trains at home there is always a lot of knockers who think that if a man does not show up in mid-season form in the first game, that he is a bum. The Tigers will probably go to Phoenix, but I don't think that Hap has selected the quarters yet."

OLDFIELD AND TETZLAFF FOLLOW SAN DIEGO RACE.

Automobile race meet at the San Diego County Auto Owners' Club, December 24, and 25, 1912.

The prospect for the first race is bright. The prospect for the second race is bright. The prospect for the third race is bright. The prospect for the fourth race is bright. The prospect for the fifth race is bright. The prospect for the sixth race is bright. The prospect for the seventh race is bright. The prospect for the eighth race is bright. The prospect for the ninth race is bright. The prospect for the tenth race is bright. The prospect for the eleventh race is bright. The prospect for the twelfth race is bright. The prospect for the thirteenth race is bright. The prospect for the fourteenth race is bright. The prospect for the fifteenth race is bright. The prospect for the sixteenth race is bright. The prospect for the seventeenth race is bright. The prospect for the eighteenth race is bright. The prospect for the nineteenth race is bright. The prospect for the twentieth race is bright. The prospect for the twenty-first race is bright. 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Public Service; City Hall, Courts.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY.

The Mayor reappointed various commissioners yesterday, whose terms will expire on the first Monday in January, and named City Clerk Handley as a member of the Board of Public Works, to take the place of M. Humphreys, who will retire next week.

The Harbor Advisory Board decided yesterday that it is impracticable to carry forward the opening of Pacific avenue under provisions of the Harbor act, and if waivers of damages are secured, will do the work under the Vreeman act provisions.

The Fire Chief made various recommendations yesterday for the safeguarding of lives and property, at the City Hall, and the Board of Public Works will ask for a special appropriation today to make immediate changes.

Several lots of Hamilton Act street improvement bonds have been sold in the past few days, announced City Treasurer Hance yesterday, and it is believed this will open the way for the disposing of more than thirty such lots of bonds that have been held by the city because there were no bidders.

Vice-President Dunn of the Los Angeles Railway told the Public Utilities Commission yesterday that his corporation will not accept fifty residential street cars and fifty trailers. A man, who is trying to have his wife's divorce decree set aside, told a Superior Court Judge yesterday that after they had kissed and made up she was granted a divorce and that the news came as a distinct shock to him.

At the City Hall.

APPOINTMENTS GO TO COUNCIL.

MAYOR SUBMITS LIST TODAY FOR ITS APPROVAL.

Names Handley, Present City Clerk, for a Position on the Board of Public Works to Succeed Humphreys—Other Selections Are as Previously Stated.

If the City Council gives its approval today to the list of appointments that will be sent to it by the Mayor, Louis F. Handley, present City Clerk, will become a member of the Board of Public Works to succeed W. M. Humphreys, whose term will expire on the first Monday in January.

This is the most important change in the composition of the board, as the others to be submitted by the Mayor to the Council today are all reappointments, and are as follows:

C. M. Gordon as a member of the Board of Harbor Commissioners; J. B. Lippincott, Board of Park Commissioners; S. C. Graham, Board of Public Service Commissioners; Richard Plant, Playground Commission; J. W. Mitchell, Municipal Art Commission; George L. Cochran, Board of Civil Service Commissioners.

Commissioners of the Board of Public Utilities is still in the East, and the Mayor will not reappoint him until after a conference when he returns. If Beckins will accept the place for another term, he undoubtedly will be reappointed.

No one has yet been selected to take the place of Judge-elect Wellborn in the Public Service Commission, but the Mayor seemed in finding a qualified man to take the position made vacant on the Harbor Commission by the late Johnson's transfer to the Board of Public Works.

Should the Council approve of the appointment of City Clerk Handley to the Board of Public Works, the Mayor will have to appoint a City Clerk; and rumors were rife at the City Hall yesterday that John Elliott, a local newspaper man, formerly in charge of the Associated Press work here, is the most likely to secure this plum.

The same of Charles Wilde, now chief clerk in the City Clerk's office, where he has served for many years, is also freely mentioned, but Wilde is in a very service position at good salary, while the City Clerk's position is an appointive one, and subject to changes with a change of administration, so that he would be jeopardizing a sure position for one of uncertain tenure were he to accept the place.

HARBOR AFFAIRS.

ADVISORY BOARD'S DOINGS. After discussing the delays that would be incident upon awaiting the permanent construction of bulkheads on the inner harbor channel at Wilmington, the Harbor Advisory Board yesterday voted to instruct the City Engineer to report on the cost of a temporary bulkhead back of the Water-street wharf and in front of the proposed fill covering an area of several blocks, and also to ascertain whether the United States Engineer would allow such temporary bulkhead to be used to hold the dredgings from the channel.

Harbor Engineer Jubb reported that 350 feet of rock had been placed on the dyke at the Huntington concession during the past few days and that reasonable progress is being made with this work.

Special Counsel Hewitt reported that obstacles have appeared in the way of carrying on the proposed opening and improvement of the Pacific-avenue boulevard under the provisions of the Harbor act, and stated that those especially interested believe that they can now obtain waivers of damages from property owners on the street. If this is done, then the proceedings can be carried through under the Vreeman act provisions, and time will be given the San Pedro people for them to obtain the waivers if damages, if possible.

The special committee to confer with the Southern Pacific and Pacific Electric officials on rights of way from Fourth to Fourteenth streets was instructed to visit San Francisco Thursday forenoon and come to some final decision with the railroad officials.

IMMEDIATE SAFEGUARDS.

CHIEF SUGGESTS.

Fire Chief Eley made a report to the Fire Commission yesterday of the fire at the City Hall on Sunday, and recommended that immediate changes be made in order to safeguard life and public properties at this building.

These recommendations include the placing of fire alarm box No. 49 at the entrance to the City Hall. It

is now inside the Tax Collector's office and on holidays and Saturday afternoons and Sundays cannot be reached. The attic must be cleaned out of rubbish and all inflammable materials that have been stored there; no experimental stations are to be allowed; the elevator shaft must be enclosed with fireproof walls; the wooden partitions in the basement must be replaced with metal lath and plaster. Fire escapes must be placed on the building in conformity to the city ordinances.

The Board of Public Works will ask the City Council today to make an appropriation of \$250 to repair damages that must be taken care of immediately.

Hamilton Act Bonds Sold.

City Treasurer Hance reported to the Board of Public Works yesterday that through re-advertising he has been able to sell Hamilton Act street improvement bonds to the extent of more than \$10,000.

These include the Powers and Terrace street improvement bonds, which sold at par, \$7039.44, the Harrison street bonds, at par, \$1239.33, and the Reno-street bonds, at par, \$332.58.

As more than thirty street improvements to be done under the Hamilton act have been held up for months because there were no bidders for the bonds, these sales are considered significant of promise that there will be no further delay in the completion of securities and that the work may soon be started.

Seizing City Property.

The Board of Public Works in its report to the City Council today will state that it proposes to sell as soon as possible to the highest bidder, at public auction, the buildings parceled out by the city at Timms Point, with the exception of one reserved for the use of the chief engineer of the bureau of harbor improvements, and one for the use of the Public Service Commission. The board states that portions of the buildings are being stolen, and therefore, they should be disposed of as speedily as possible.

Safety for Records.

The fire at the City Hall on Sunday caused the Board of Public Utilities to consider yesterday the advisability of asking the City Council to rent space in some fireproof vault where duplicate sets of the board's records, which have been compiled at much expense, may be kept. At the present time, although duplicate records are made of the documents in this department, they are all kept in the City Hall or the annex, and in case of fire it would be almost impossible to replace some of them.

Will Order More Cars.

Vice-President Dunn of the Los Angeles Railway Corporation conferred with the Board of Public Utilities yesterday in regard to the order issued by this commission last week, demanding that more cars be purchased in order to relieve the street car congestion.

Dunn told the board that his corporation intends to order fifty cars of the regular type and fifty trailers at once, and that altogether, the corporation is likely to expend much more in equipment during the ensuing year than that suggested to it by the board.

He fears that the use of trailers in connection with the present cars will not be found satisfactory, and that ones will be built to conform to conditions here.

Will Open Roadway.

Through the activities of the North Main-street Improvement Association, the Park Commission has been induced to grant the opening of a roadway through the southern portion of Eastlake Park, so as to give direct access from Main street to Alhambra avenue. This is of advantage to motorists visiting the park or traveling from the cross streets to the county roads.

City Hall Briefs.

T. D. Valliant and other property owners on Virgil avenue petitioned the fire department yesterday to have the row of trees and their accumulated rubbish removed from the block adjoining the properties between First and Third streets, alleging that from this source there have been several fires recently. The fire chief will investigate.

The Fire Commission asked the Public Service Commission yesterday to place the hydrant on the corner of Wilmington streets, in Wilmington, and two on Mormon Island, one in the vicinity of the shipyards and the other near the water front.

The discovery has been made that the lot at Fifty-seventh and Figueroa streets, which the city intended to purchase for a firehouse site, has building restrictions that would prevent its use for this purpose. Another lot is available at Montano street and Shawan avenue, and the commission instructed Fire Chief Eley to investigate its desirability and make a report.

George Brown has contracted with the Board of Public Works to purchase the San Canyon pipe line, on the aqueduct work, paying therefor \$190. He is to furnish water to the camp at Brown's long as the contract for the improvement of San Fernando street from College street to a point 415 feet northerly is awarded by the Board of Public Works yesterday. This is to include asphalt paving, culverts, storm drain and sidewalks, and is to be completed within eighty days.

Charles Farwell Edison was before the Council committees yesterday to ask that the City Council and its friends attend the next concert of the People's Orchestra at the Auditorium, for which four boxes are reserved. He also asked that the orchestra be conferred the preparation of the next fiscal budget.

The first man to make an offer to provide the city with a garbage disposal plant since the new specifications were prepared is H. W. Woot, who has filed a statement to the effect that he will submit a proposition within thirty days proposing to construct an incinerator with a capacity of handling from 500 to 500 tons per day.

The city is now a member of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress. The Harbor Commission yesterday received an acknowledgment of the receipt of the appropriation of \$1000 to aid in the construction of this work, and congratulating Los Angeles on the progress of its harbor development.

HORSE NOT BACK YET?

W. J. Neargard, a painter, was arraigned yesterday before Justice Reeve on a charge of embezzlement, at the instance of E. J. Misquot, who says that three years ago Neargard rented a horse from his livery stable and failed to return it. He will be examined January 14, and failed to give bond of \$1000.

At the Courthouse.

AFTER REUNION COMES PARTING.

"MAKE-UP" KISS ONLY PRECEDES THE BREAK-UP.

Divorce Decree, Granted Wife by Default, Distinct Shock, Husband Says, as He Thought Suit Had Been Dismissed at Her Request. She Denies His Story.

Having kissed and made up and relying on his wife's assertion that she had dismissed the suit for divorce she filed against him, William J. Hamilton, an employee of the Los Angeles Railway, received a jolt last June when he learned that a decree of divorce on the ground of failure to provide had been granted by default. This is his story, told before Judge Willis yesterday when Hamilton's attorney, George H. Woodruff, argued the motion to set aside the default. The court took the matter under submission.

Woodruff asserts the papers in the divorce suit were regularly served on his client. He asked for an explanation and was told by Mrs. Hamilton, so Hamilton alleges, that she brought the action one day while she was away from home. A conference ensued between the Hamiltons and the result was, Hamilton asserts, that Mrs. Hamilton agreed to drop the suit and later told him she had dismissed it. There was no further reference to the matter and the couple continued to live together. Hamilton gave his wife \$1000, he paid the house and hold bills as usual. There were no children, and a portion of the pay went toward buying a home. Then came the shock of the decree of divorce. When Hamilton took steps to set aside the decree, he says Mrs. Hamilton left home and didn't return.

Woodruff asserts that in case Judge Willis declines to set aside the decree, an action will be brought on the ground of fraud.

Mrs. Hamilton's side of the story, as told in the papers on file, is that she left her husband after the papers were served on him. She says she remained away until November 16 when she returned home and lived there, but not as his wife. She denies she told him that she would have the action withdrawn, and she informed him she had withdrawn it. She is represented by Attorney John S. Cooper and says she will fight any attempt to set aside the decree or to have the decree set aside on the ground of fraud.

EPISTOLARY EVIDENCE.

MANY LETTERS IN SUIT. A portion of "love letters" Mrs. Edith M. Whittlessey said in her divorce action against Charles F. Whittlessey, formerly a leading architect of this city, she had written to her husband, and his correspondence were turned over to Judge Willis yesterday for examination.

Mrs. Whittlessey names another woman in the suit, and Whittlessey is contesting the action. They were married more than a score of years ago and have four children. Six years ago Whittlessey went to San Francisco to start a new business in that city. Questions asked Mrs. Whittlessey on cross-examination indicated Whittlessey will set up that he offered to provide for her in San Francisco and that she refused to go there and live.

Mrs. Whittlessey denied that her husband ever offered to provide for her there and said she had informed him she would go to San Francisco and see him, but not as his wife. The main fight promises to be on a property settlement. Mrs. Whittlessey asks a division of the property, which includes \$115,000 house on Pico street. Whittlessey has plans for many large buildings in this city and elsewhere, including the Hayward and Hotel El Tovar in the Grand Canyon.

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WARRANT ISSUED.

INSTEAD OF PROBATION.

The escape of Mrs. Alice Ellis from the Truelove Home last Friday, where she had been confined for having contributed to the dependency of her 4-year-old child; her sensational kidnapping of the child from the home of Mrs. Smedd and her subsequent disappearance, was followed by a letter from the woman, addressed to Judge Willis, for probation, and the issuance of a warrant for her arrest yesterday.

Mrs. Ellis gives the names of prominent bankers and merchants of this city as references and pleads for leniency. It is intimated that it is probable the court will take her strictly to account, if she is apprehended.

COURTHOUSE NOTES.

BREVITIES MISCELLANEOUS.

JONES ESTATE. Roy Jones, son of former United States Senator John P. Jones, who died November 27 last, was bonded in the sum of \$400,000 by George H. Woodruff, an administrator of the estate. The bonds are given in twice the amount of the value of the estate in this county. Jones died intestate. The heirs are the widow, Georgina, and her two daughters, Alice MacDonnell and Giverny. Frances; Marion Farquhar, Santa Monica; Georgina Walton, New York.

SUIT ON NOTE.

Felix B. Modjeska, a son of the late Madame Modjeska, is plaintiff in an action against F. DeWitt, on a promissory note for \$1000 which figured in a sale of stock. Modjeska sold his stock in a certain corporation to DeWitt, receiving part cash and the note. The latter was due September 1 and Modjeska alleges it has not been paid.

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—Neck Chains, \$1.50 to \$5 (Main Floor.)

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—Fancy Round Garters—of frilled elastic, with large bow and pretty buckle...25c
—Fancy Needle Books—embossed covers, filled with sorted needles and darning...15c
—Fancy Frilled Silk Elastic—for making supporters and sleeve bands. Yard...50c
—Spring Tape Measures—celluloid back in pink, white or green. For the work bag...15c
—White Ivory Needle Cases—plain or carved...15c
—Metal Speed Holders—with velvet cushion. Hold 12 spools, 15c
—Fancy Round Garters—of silk frilled elastic, with large satin bow...50c (Main Floor.)

Handkerchiefs

—The "Angelus"—fine, sheer linen, beautifully hand embroidered; 2 in box...\$1.00
—The "Poinsettia"—pure linen, with dainty hand embroidery...50c
—Real Armenian Handkerchiefs—pure linen, edged with hand-crocheted Armenian lace. Each...25c
—Women's Initial Handkerchiefs—white with hand embroidered script or medallion initial. For 25c
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of December, 1912.

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tempted to prove an alibi, alleging he was in a poolroom at the time the crime was committed. Schofield admitted he is held as a fugitive from justice, wanted in St. Joseph, Mo., to answer to a charge of burglary.

Ham Cause Arrest.

Fifty cents' worth of ham, which was exhibited in court, and an over-indulgence in beer, caused the arraignment of Alexander Bruness before Police Judge Chambers yesterday on a petty larceny charge. C. L. Burlingame, a lunch wagon man at 723 South Main street, was the complaining witness. It was testified that Bruness, after eating at the wagon, took the piece of ham as he passed. Patrolman Hopkins arrested him in a saloon and swore that he found the meat concealed under Bruness's coat. Bruness will be sentenced this afternoon.

Impersonates Detective.

M. D. de Arnez, No. 6154 West Sixth street, was arraigned before Police Judge Chambers yesterday on a drunk charge, but the testimony adduced was that he impersonated a detective. L. C. Robinson swore that De Arnez stopped him on the street, said he was an officer, and began searching him. De Arnez admitted having searched Robinson and finding four bottles of whisky in his pockets, but didn't remember having posed as a detective. De Arnez was fined \$25, or twenty days.

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